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DR. LOUIS D. NEWTON

THE BAPTIST HOUR

Sunday morning May 4, 1947

Speaker—Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.

Subject—"Life's Greatest Question"

Stations heard in MISSISSIPPI are WCBI, Columbus; WGRM, Greenwood; WSLI, Jackson; and WMAL, Laurel at 7:30 CST.

May 11—Dr. Louie D. Newton will speak on "Our Mothers."

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The Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar

Religious News Service Correspondent

CHURCH GROUPS DIVIDED OVER PRESIDENT'S GREEK PROPOSALS

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WASHINGTON, D. C. — Although the U.S. Supreme Court has denied a petition for a new review of the famous New Jersey School Bus Case, which recently brought chagrin to Protestants generally and Baptists in particular, the issue of the use of state funds by private religious institutions still is very much alive.

Dr. J. M. Dawson, executive secretary of the Baptist Joint Conference Committee on Public Relations, reports that he is receiving dozens of requests from church groups throughout the nation to speak on the questions posed by the Supreme Court decision. He and E. Hilton Jackson, prominent Washington attorney and chairman of the Joint Conference Committee, each has accepted many of these invitations, but there is no let-up in the demands.

Meantime, there is a rumor going the rounds here that several Protestant groups are working on a plan to form a new national organization composed of all elements of Protestantism to wage a renewed and united fight for separation of church and state.

HIDDEN TAXES

Dr. Alphonse H. Clemens, professor at the Catholic University of America (Continued on Page Two)

Relief And Annuity Board Meets

2,541 CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN 1946

By Rev. C. J. Olander

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention met in Dallas March 26th for its 29th annual session. Dr. Wallace Bassett of Dallas was elected President and Dr. George J. Mason of Dallas Recording Secretary.

Dr. Thomas J. Watts, who served as Associate and Executive Secretary for more than two decades, having resigned on January 15th, was succeeded by Dr. Walter R. Alexander as Executive Secretary. Dr. R. P. Jones was elected as Associate Secretary and Mr. Orville Groner, Treasurer and Investments.

Dr. Alexander's First Report

Dr. Walter R. Alexander, who had been associated to Dr. Watts for more than four years, made his first report as Executive Secretary. He said, "Facing an untrodden future, the new secretary ventures no predictions, but would commit the Board to this three-fold program.

1. Every obligation to aged needy must be met
2. Every contractual promise made must be kept, and
3. Every eligible church and preacher, every denominational institution, board, agency, and denominational worker must share the responsibilities and enjoy the protection now offered by this denominational House of Security.

1946 A Year of Progress

905 New certificates issued in Mississippi (Continued on Page Two)

Committee Tells Results Of Pastors' Questionnaire, Says Further Study Needed

By G. S. Dobbins, Chairman
Committee on Church Organizations
Southern Baptist Convention

Are our churches over-organized? Do the church organizations function with maximum efficiency? Are changes needed in the organizational setup of our churches? Do the several organizations duplicate and overlap one another? Is the local church as a whole sufficiently magnified and supported in the present arrangement? What could be done to bring about closer cooperation on the part of the several denominational agencies looking toward more effective correlation and coordination?

These and similar questions were suggested to the Committee on Church Organizations appointed at the Miami meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention and charged with the responsibility of investigation and report to the meeting of the Convention in St. Louis. After much deliberation, the Committee decided that light on these questions could best be had from the pastors, together with careful study of the facts as reflected in the literature of the several organizations. Sub-committees were accordingly formed, and a simple but comprehensive questionnaire was devised and mailed to the total list of Southern Baptist pastors. Services of the International Business Machines Corporation were secured for accurate tabulation of returns. In accordance with principles of scientific survey, selection of questionnaires was made so as to guarantee reliability of per-

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MISS JEAN YATES

Jean Yates Elected President of Student Gov't Council at Blue Mountain College

Miss Jean Yates, Houston, Texas, has been elected president of the student government council of Blue Mountain College for 1947-48. Miss Yates served as Chairman of the Committee of Seventy for Focus Week at Blue Mountain College in December. She will be reader for David E. Guyton, Professor of History, next year.

Miss Yates is the daughter of Dr. Kyle M. Yates, formerly pastor of the Second Church, Houston, Texas.

Miss Yates' grandfather, Professor J. M. Sharp, who recently passed away was a member of the faculty of Mississippi College at Clinton for a number of years.

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MORE SUGGESTIONS ABOUT MISS. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Dr. Cox Presents Christian Citizens Council Aims

By Norman W. Cox

The aims and objects of a Citizens Christian Council are many and vitally important. It is an organization of Christian citizens who commit themselves to the vital work of seeking to establish and maintain righteousness in the State. They realize that while government is ordained of God, it is carried on by men. They realize that the behavior of public officials seriously affects the life and character of children and the citizenship of the community, the county and the state. In these Citizens Christian Councils they bind themselves together to promote the application of righteousness to the civil life of their community.

These Councils do not plan to take the law into their own hands. They are not going to become policemen or constables or sheriffs or county or prosecuting attorneys. However, they do intend to tell those who are elected to office that they are for them and with them in every effort they make (Continued on Page Two)



The missionary service flag of Westhampton Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia, organized in 1912, bears a gold cross for James Henry Hagood, 1916-1946, who was interim pastor before he left for Palestine, and a red cross for Julia Saccar Hagood, who is carrying on her husband's work at Nazareth. The two student volunteers being shown the flag by their pastor, the Rev. T. Sloane Guy, are Ann Bru-

ner of Westhampton College and Ernest Harris of Richmond College, one a volunteer for the Orient, the other for any field where asthma is not a major handicap. The service flag is a perpetual call to prayer, in the church for all home and foreign missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention.

These flags may be purchased from the Baptist Book Store.

Joy Ann Beaty Wins Scholarship

Miss Joy Ann Beaty, Memphis, Tennessee, who has attended Blue Mountain College for three years, won the thousand-dollar piano scholarship in the audition by the Memphis and Mid-South Scholarship Association Saturday and plans to enter the Juillard School of Music at New York next fall.

"Her goal is to concertize and the association is looking forward to the time when they can present her in her debut in Town Hall at New York," Miss Louise Mercer, president of the association, said.

Miss Beaty specialized in piano at Blue Mountain.

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WASHINGTON REVIEW

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here, recently released some figures relating to home-life that are of interest to all persons.

He said there were 53 different taxes in a single loaf of bread and 57 taxes in every quart of milk. These hidden taxes, he pointed out, tend to keep people from buying through keeping prices higher than they would be otherwise. Coupled with high interest on small loans, taxes are factors that prevent many consumers from being wise consumers.

In many states, Dr. Clemens asserted, small loan companies are permitted to exact 42 per cent interest, while most states allow rates up to 36 per cent.

MISCELLANEOUS: The Polish Embassy has released a statement here in which it says that the new Polish Constitution guarantees "freedom of conscience and religion," as a key point. . . Washington Methodists added 40,000 new members in 1946. . . Some church groups are expected to support the Federal Youth Authority which has been proposed in legislation introduced by Senator Harley M. Kilgore (D-W.Va). . . Churchmen are watching with interest for the new Standards of Practice for the radio industry which are to be released here by the National Association of Broadcasters. . . Dr. E. A. Sutherland, of Washington, has been elected president of the Association of Self-Supporting Institutions, organized during the recent quadrennial meeting of the Columbia Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in Cincinnati. . . He will help supplement and enlarge the work of medical and education centers in operation throughout the nation in connection with the church's back-to-the-land movement.

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BAPTIST PASTORS SEEK RE-HEARING OF SUPREME COURT DECISION

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., —(RNS)—Baptists here are supporting a movement to obtain a re-hearing of the recent Supreme Court decision favoring use of public funds for transportation of children to parochial schools.

The Birmingham Baptist Pastors Conference adopted a resolution here deploring the court decision and reaffirming "our time honored position of religious freedom for people of all faiths as guaranteed by the Bill of Rights and its corollary separation of church and state."

The pastors stressed that "We are opposed to the Court decision not as one church body against another church body but on the principle that church and state must be forever separated."

COMMITTEE TELLS RESULTS OF PASTORS' QUESTIONNAIRE, SAYS FURTHER STUDY NEEDED

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centages. The results are embodied in the Committee's "Report of Progress" to the Convention at the allotted time, Thursday, May eighth, 2:40 p.m. The Committee's findings, arrived at thus objectively, include the following interesting and significant disclosures:

1. While pastors generally do not demand radical reorganization, they feel strongly that there should be a rethinking of the relationship of the organizations to one another and to the church as a whole. They agree fairly generally that there are wasteful duplications and overlappings which should be given attention.

2. The feeling is expressed broadly that the present plan, according to which the four major organizations of a typical Southern Baptist church are in large measure independent of one another, makes too heavy demands upon the same people both for leadership and for attendance and support. The expressed desire, in the main, is not for elimination of any of these major organizations, but for their closer correlation. Some of the junior organizations, it is thought, might well be combined.

3. Desire for consideration of certain changes is indicated. There appears to be a growing demand for elective courses for young people and adults to supplement the present uniform Sunday school lessons. A considerable majority of those replying would seem to prefer a revision of the present basis of age group grading, possibly making place for a Senior class or department between Intermediates and Young People. Many would like to have more attention given to aspects of visual education. A large majority want a restudy of the several "standards" with a view to making them more functional and adjustable.

4. With a vote almost approaching unanimity, the wish was expressed for a series of "guides" prepared in collaboration by the several agencies, so that pastor and leaders could plan their work and order materials with a view to their relationships to one another and to the church as a whole. Desire was strongly indicated for a "curriculum guide," a "study course guide," and "objectives guide," a "leadership guide," and an "activities guide."

5. Equally unanimous was the request that the several boards and agencies get together in an annual meeting to discuss correlation of aims and objectives, to analyze total printed materials offered, to determine functions of the several organizations with a view to lessening of overlapping, to coordinate denominational calendar with local church calendar, and to prepare jointly the suggested "guides."

6. Increasing favor was indicated for the "church council" made up of representatives of a church and all its organizations meeting regularly to coordinate activities.

The Committee feels that this first study reveals the need for further investigation of the problems involved. Pastors were urged to accompany the questionnaire with detailed explanations and suggestions. A mass of material has thus been accumulated which might well be followed up profitably, more explicit information being secured on a number of points by questionnaires and correspondence that would break down certain generalizations into particulars. Although marvelous progress has been made by our churches through the development of the organizations which in many ways reflect our genius, we cannot afford to allow these plans to become static. Much of our amazing growth in the past has been due to our willingness to experiment with new ways and means and to make changes whenever they seem to promise better results. Proving all things, we will

RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD MEETS

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ister's Retirement Plan.

592 Churches began to participate in the Plan.

296 New Certificates in Baptist Boards Plan.

204 New-Certificates to faculty members and employees of Baptist schools, seminaries, and colleges.

67 New Certificates to employees of Home and Foreign Mission Boards.

883 Certificates to Pastors in Widows Supplemental Plan.

Total: 2,541 certificates were issued, the largest number in any one year in the history of the Board.

Financial Progress

1945

Total Income	\$ 2,676,451.17
Total Expenditures	1,094,630.46
Total Benefits Paid	862,272.41
Total Assets	9,449,256.07
Earnings on Investments	3.69%

1946

Total Income	\$ 2,705,588.22
Total Expenditures	1,261,734.58
Total Benefits Paid	1,001,737.91
Total Assets	10,909,740.27
Earnings on Investments	3.55%

Widow Supplemental Plan

The Widows Supplemental Plan is now operating in 12 states: South Carolina, Kentucky, Missouri, Illinois, Oklahoma, Virginia (in 1946) and beginning January 1, 1947 — Arizona, California, Louisiana, New Mexico, North Carolina, and Texas. The seven remaining states and the District of Columbia will no doubt have the Plan operative some time this year.

Work of Relief Department

1300 are on the Relief Rool and they received benefits of \$192,508.63.

Total receipts for Relief: Cooperative Program \$138,031.59 and Specials (Fellowship Offering, etc.) \$44,857.42. Benefits in excess of receipts: \$9,619.62.

Note: If a change had not been made in percentages in Cooperative Program Plan due to the "Double Budget in 1946", there would have been a nice reserve for 1946. It was not possible to reduce benefits on such short notice and in the face of rising costs.

Contingent Reserve

The Contingent Reserve should be increased now to undergird all of our Annuity Plans and thus assure full benefits to all. This work is being continued with vigor. We need a "Spare Tire" of not less than \$10,000,000.00 by 1950.

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Bibles and portions of Scripture will be available for those who need them as long as Southern Baptists are in business. The Sunday School Board last week established a \$25,000 Bible Trust Fund to be administered by the Southern Baptist Foundation. Income from the trust fund will be used to furnish Bibles and portions of Scripture to those in need.

do well to hold fast to that which is good. But the process of analysis, testing and measuring, and intelligent self-criticism should never be abandoned or penalized. Democracy is on trial throughout the world. Baptist churches, perhaps the purest democracies to be found, are under obligation to demonstrate that a vital spiritual democracy can modify its machinery and methods to meet the pressure of need, while sacredly maintaining its fundamental principles.

On behalf of the Committee, the Chairman would take this opportunity to thank all those who have cooperated in making the questionnaire project successful and to invite further correspondence.

MORE SUGGESTIONS ABOUT MISS. LAW ENFORCEMENT

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to discharge their sworn duties. They will give those elected to office to understand that they are willing to cooperate in every way they can. At the same time they are going to make it very plain that they expect those who have the responsibility for the enforcement of laws to do their full duty and that if they fail to do their full duty then they may expect to hear from the Council.

These Councils are organizations of citizens and not organizations of churches. Therefore as citizens they have a right to carefully investigate all candidates for office. In Louisville, Kentucky, a committee from the Citizens Christian Council there examined the life history, reputation and attitude of every candidate that offered for public office. They prepared a questionnaire and sent to each candidate and asked that he fill out that questionnaire and give a straight answer to every question therein. When that had been done the committee carefully canvassed the information they had obtained. The Council then published in the papers the information they had obtained from each candidate. They furthermore rated or graded the candidates with respect to the information they had obtained about them and the answers they had given in the questionnaire. They said about some, the information on this man leads us to believe that he would be a good man, about others they gave a grade of fair and others they pronounced their opinion of them as being unsatisfactory. They paid no attention to party lines. They did not go out and conduct any campaign. They simply got the information on each candidate and passed it on to the people with their interpretation of what it meant. It is significant that every man elected in the city of Louisville, Ky., in the last election except one was a man whom this Christian Council had pronounced as being good.

Unless those who love righteousness awake and organize the next legislature will vote the legal sale of liquor in Mississippi. These Citizens Christians Councils in each county can see to it that we have a legislature that will refuse to legalize the sale of liquor and will revise the laws so that we can get the enforcement that we need. Our only chance to do this is to organize these Citizens Christian Councils in every county and enlist the support of the best men and women in their service.

In due time if a county has a Citizens Christian Council the honky-tonks and gambling that is unmo- lested will pass.

Another of the great aims of a Citizens Christian Council is to teach and preach civic righteousness and personal temperance. It will implement our religious faith and conviction with action as Christian citizens to promote righteousness and to destroy iniquity.

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The First Church, Amory, recently increased the salary of Pastor John F. Measells \$500 per year and made it retroactive to January first. Pastor Measells is now in his seventeenth year at Amory.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." 1 Cor. 13:8

"For The Kingdom is the Lord's: and He is the Governor Among the Nations," Psalm 22:28.

Please note in this issue a blank form for reporting Evangelistic Visitation and Tithing campaign results. It will greatly help if we can get a report from each of our Mississippi Baptist churches whether or not they have cooperated in either campaign. Please fill in, clip from the paper, and mail this form to us.

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We have been more than happy to have Brother J. H. Street as our Brotherhood secretary for a period of nearly two years. He has laid some good foundations, and led in some constructive developments. We had anticipated that he would sooner or later return to the pastorate, but we had hoped he might be in this work a little longer. We readily yield to the leading of the Spirit in the matter. He goes to a place of large opportunity, and we believe will render a great service there.

Mississippi Baptists need to realize how far we really have to go in Brotherhood. With around 150 Brotherhoods in our 1562 Mississippi churches, we should put our hearts into the matter and our hands to the task in multiplying and strengthening Brotherhoods throughout the state. The women have been doing a fine work through the years. The causes of Christ now march at a faster tempo with mobilized men power.

II

On Monday evening we were up in Tishomingo Association for a banquet with workers from over the county. The house was filled. A splendid banquet meal was served. Brother Everitt is a splendid associational missionary. Through the years some loyal people have been standing by the work of Christ in this section.

Tuesday evening we were in a great radio Bible class banquet, First Baptist Church, Memphis. Church representatives were present for various departments. A lovely banquet meal was served, and the spirit of the people was fine. Dr. Paul Caudill is the very fine pastor of this great church. We had the privilege of sitting beside a former pastor greatly loved—Dr. and Mrs. A. U. Boone. Our brother, Judge John W. McCall, is the greatly appreciated and long time teacher of this class. They were among the first, if not the first, to institute radio service. This brother has been a worthy ideal from his youth up. He has set high marks in helpful channels wherever he has gone.

Wednesday evening we were at Parkland Baptist Church, Dr. Leo Eddleton, Louisville, Kentucky, pastor. Dr. Eddleton is one of our own and one of our best. A large and appreciative congregation was present despite the fact that numbers were at the Hyman Appleman city-wide revival.

Thursday evening we met with nearly a hundred of our Mississippi group in attendance at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The occasion was a most enjoyable banquet at their invitation. We faced a group of good looking young men and lovely ladies all of them talented and spiritual. It was a great affair. Rev. Ernest Earl Kelly is president of the group and accorded us many courtesies. Rev. Clark McMurray is the very fine president elect for next year.

Some of these young people are completing courses this year and by all means should be brought back to Mississippi.

We made the entire 1200 to 1400 miles trip in the plane. It was quite an experience—our first really long trip by ourself while using that method of travel. It saved us about 50% of the time involved, however.

Sunday we were in three services with Pastor B. E. Phillips, New Hebron. At the 11:00 hour, the Commencement service was held at the high school, Professor Wells, superintendent. A fine class of about twenty-seven young people graduated. After the service we enjoyed the fellowship of the Wells home.

In the afternoon we were with Brother Phillips at Crooked Creek. Despite a rain storm and high water we had a fair congregation. Several preachers have gone out from this church.

At the evening hour the congregation pretty well filled the house of worship at New Hebron. Some fine and faithful folks stand by the Cross. Brother Phillips is enjoying returning strength, and we were more than delighted to be with him. He has served this field for approximately twenty-eight years. He is a fine helper and a good friend.

III

"Onward Christian Soldiers"

by H. Leo Eddleman

Parkland Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.

It was a delightful sunny morning in May. We came to church "as usual" and a capacity crowd of happy, gaily clad but serious minded people filled the auditorium. Why shouldn't they be happy? Had not the morning paper said that the Allied drive into Germany was gaining momentum and that Hitler's hordes were staggering backwards on every front?

But there was one event in the service that could hardly be classified as "usual." Just before the ushers started passing the plates, the pastor announced, as he dropped a money order into one of them, "Here is a sum of \$91.00 from Lieutenant Blank. Many will remember his inspiring life of loyalty as a soldier of the Cross while at home. Now this gift has just arrived revealing that his daring devotion to America and democracy does not exceed his loyalty to the Lord. He sent it as his tithe and is one of a half-dozen or more men who have consistently done this since they entered the service."

As the morning worship continued it was ostensibly blessed of God. He met with his people. Several were saved.

As we went home afterward, thanking the Lord for the intense devotion

of Christian people here and there throughout the world, little could we imagine the gloom that would so soon settle upon us as if in a vengeful effort to snuff out whatever joy might exist in human hearts during war. Just thirty-six hours later, the pastor's phone rang. A comparatively well-controlled voice said, "I am Lieutenant Blank's sister. We have just received a telegram from the War Department informing us that Brother has been shot down over Germany. Mother and Father asked me to let you know at once."

The pastor proceeded immediately to the home. Although the atmosphere was charged with tenseness and anxiety, not one note of bitterness was heard in this circle of Christians. They talked together hopefully, describing from time to time many fond memories of the brother and son. After less than an hour, the pastor rose to leave, but not until the mother had said, "Please offer a prayer to the Lord for Son's safety."

Months passed before word finally came that the Lieutenant was alive and in a P.O.W. Camp in Germany. Immediately letters and packages were on the way to him. Although the relief of knowing he was alive was great, the heart of each member of this devoted family began now to wonder as to the treatment, food, and continued safety of their loved one.

Then came May 1945; the war with Germany was ended more than a month before; now word reached the family that Son was on his way home! Many American mothers and fathers are able to recall the feelings accompanying the reception of such an announcement. Nothing was too good or too expensive to prepare for the returning hero.

He returned, thin and worn. He had been on starvation diet for months until he fell into American hands a few weeks before. What a reception awaited him! Young boys stared at him with the unrestrained zeal of hero-worshippers. The girls could not have looked on a movie star more admiringly. The pastor counted it an unparalleled joy to be among the first invited to the home to witness one of the most blessed family reunions ever to take place.

He thought, "Well, that is all; and it's a good ending to a fine story. He is a great fellow. May he soon be well and strong along with thousands of other American lads who have pretty nearly the same record. May the Lord bless them all!"

But This Was Not All

The second Sunday after Lieutenant Blank was home, there appeared in the church offerings a check from him marked simply: "My tithe since the last"—which included the long period of time he had spent languishing in German and Russian prison camps. The check was for \$353.00!

What could this mean? Many people had been living comfortably and earning much money but were doing no such giving as that; but here was a young man who, even while a prisoner of war, was determined to carry out the least of the commandments of King Jesus. Such giving results only from deeply spiritual living. Such a man takes seriously what Christ said in Luke 11:42 regarding acts of tithing: "These ought ye to have done."

What would it be like if more Christians would emulate the example and spirit of this young soldier? Well, this is what it has been like in that young soldier's church. On one occasion the members were asked to try tithing for just three months, at the end of which time, if they were not blessed either spiritually or materially or both, they should be free to cease. The offerings in this church leaped in one week's time from \$500 per Sunday to \$1,000 per Sunday. Two or three years later the people were challenged to do the same thing again, at which time an immediate increase in tithes and offerings from \$1,000 to \$1,400 per Sunday was experienced!

The pastor said frequently that no one should try tithing because of hope of a material blessing. The blessing sought and longed for as a result of obedience in this matter should be spiritual. However, every time he has made that statement thus far, one or more people have come to him immediately afterwards saying in effect, "Pastor, a material blessings has always attended my efforts to be a loyal tither. Why are you so disposed to under-emphasize that phase of it?"

After years of experience and observation, I have never yet seen a tithing Christian, obedient to the Lord in this comparatively lesser of the commandments, who was not happier, more fruitful, and more blessed than "average church members." I have even heard that there are some people who claim that tithing is not taught in the New Testament, but I must admit that during sixteen years in the ministry I have never known such a person personally. One tenth of one's income has the promise of God's blessing upon it. Since it is clearly taught that the more one gives, the more he shall be blessed, it becomes evident that the tithe is the minimum proportion that the Lord has ever suggested for giving. He praised the widow because she gave "all that she had," leaving her poorer in this world's goods but richer in God's grace than human mind could estimate.

Tithing is older than the Mosaic law. Therefore, it is not a question of whether the New Testament ratifies or abrogates any or all specific commandments of that code. It is rightly said of tithing, "Abraham commenced it; Moses commanded it; Jesus commended it; dare we cancel it?" Where one out of five, just that few, of the members of a church tithe, most special drives are eliminated, sufficient support for all work both local and foreign comes in forthwith, and the successful business-like method captures the approval and admiration of many a man who heretofore looked askance on the way his church was supported.

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Unionism Not Needed

It is rumored that an effort will be made at the S.B.C. which meets next week in St. Louis to get the Convention to change its stand concerning organic relations with the Federal Council of Churches.

Some reasons which this matter should not come before the Convention are:

1. It will be a divisive move.
2. Most Southern Baptists do not approve of some of the actions and ideas of the Federal Council claiming that its tendency is modernistic.
3. Southern Baptists are doing better than those denominations that are tied up with the Federal Council.

About the only thing that Southern Baptists ever get out of Unionism is STUNG.

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Christian Home Week

The week before Mother's Day is Christian Home Week. Everybody should celebrate this week. The home needs to be fortified, reinforced and strengthened. The churches can help do that.

The home needs the church. Young married couples need Christ in their lives. They need the wise counsel of consecrated Christians. The millions of babies and children need the spiritual influence of Christian parents. Husbands and wives need the reassuring strength that comes through simple faith and trust in Christ Jesus. And youth needs the stabilizing force of a Christian home and an active church life.

In her radio message to the British Empire on April 11, 1943, the Queen of England voiced a fundamental principle when she said: "If your homes can be truly Christian, then the influence of that spirit will assuredly spread like leaven through all the aspects of our common life—industrial, social, and political."

If our churches are to minister to these needs, they must project

their influence into the life of all the homes in their communities, to undergird and to strengthen them.

Christians may make the observance of Christian Home Week a dynamic force in their communities. The aim for this week is to put special emphasis on the place and ministry of the Christian home in our whole Christian educational program and to lead every home to recognize Christ as the unseen guest at all times. Let us remember that every home needs God.

To insure best results, make definite plans well in advance. The pastor, Sunday school superintendent, Training Union director, and a representative from every other major organization of the church should compose the planning committee. Make the visiting of every home in the community, and of every church member, one of the main features of the week. See that this responsibility is distributed among the various church organizations and that all engage in it.

After the program for the week has been planned, give it much publicity. Use the church bulletin, special announcements from the pulpit and in various meetings, impressive posters, the radio, associational meetings, and daily papers.

A leaflet has been prepared containing a suggested schedule for "Christian Home Week", May 4-11, to be used by the leaders and for distribution in the home. It may be secured in any desired quantity by writing to Mr. I. E. Lambdin, Baptist Sunday School Board 161 Eighth Avenue North, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

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A Word To The Wise

In the March 27 issue of The Baptist Standard (Texas) was an article written by a Christian layman and business executive under the heading, "BUSINESS EXECUTIVE SOUNDS WARNING". It is worthy of commendation and cause for concern among Baptists. The gist of the article deals with these days of "easy money" and record, all-time high gifts to our Cooperative Program with the admonition of "we get so inoculated with this feeling that we feel the urge to expand in every direction, and we seldom lay aside proper reserves for the day of declining income."

This same note was sounded by one of our Mississippi pastors at the state convention last November.

The business man, Carr P. Collins, feels "that our denominational boards and institutions should avoid debt at this particular time and should make all plans so flex-

ible that immediate adjustments in expenses can be made to keep expenses and income in proper balance." Mr. Collins suggests "that it would be wise for the state Executive Board to create a small committee (or perhaps use the present Finance Committee) to make a careful study and recommendation concerning any proposal that would involve the state board in any sort of financial obligation, before such obligation is incurred."

These are statements, not "intended as any criticism. . . but merely intended to provoke thought and study", concluded the writer.

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Christians And The Race Problem

Many people today are seriously asking the question, "As Christians, what can we do about the race problem?" In answer to that question here are some suggestions that seem to me practical and timely:

As Christians we can recognize our common humanity, and our essential brotherhood with the people of all races.

We can see and respect the divine image in every human being, even when it does not appear on the surface.

We can find out as much as possible about the people of other races and cultures, in order that we may understand them better and appreciate them more.

We can take care not to hold anybody in contempt or put hindrances in their way.

We can inform ourselves as to interracial conditions in our own communities and work to correct those which are unjust and oppressive.

Perhaps we can enlist the aid of others of like mind and form community units of understanding and co-operation.

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Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—
Editor.

AN AFFRONT TO MISSISSIPPI FRUIT OF "BLACK MARKET" TAX

Mississippi has become so notorious for hypocrisy in law enforcement and respect for law, with the Legislature levying a special "tax" on law violations which is the equivalent of a state license to violate the state laws as long as the criminal pays the state ten percent of the loot, that neighboring states apparently have come to regard Mississippi as a proper "dumping place" for criminals and ex-convicts they don't want. These neighboring states seem to think that Mississippi would welcome such criminals. This seems to be made clear by a

news story in The Commercial Appeal with a two-column headline proclaiming: "'Cap' Laughter, Out on Parole, Now 'Banished' To Mississippi."

E. A. (Cap) Laughter is described by the story as a former South Memphis politician, operator of the Stockyard Hotel, a parolee from a Federal prison where he served three years for income tax evasion, an undesirable character with police records showing that he has been "mixed up" with the law since 1917 on numerous liquor law violations.

The story does not state, or even hint, that this ex-convict came from Mississippi. But it states that Memphis City Commissioner Boyle ordered him "banished" to Mississippi, though he has relatives in Memphis. It states further that the Federal probation officer in Memphis has agreed to place Laughter under supervision of the Federal parole office at Oxford, if he can find employment and a place to live at Greenwood, Grenada or "other points" in Mississippi.

The Federal probation officer thus seems to share the confidence of the Memphis officials that Mississippi will welcome this ex-convict, that he will find familiar and congenial work in some Mississippi town.

"We're not going to allow Laughter or his kind to hang around Memphis," Commissioner Boyle proclaimed, then "banished" Laughter to Mississippi; the state that "legally" gets a take out of illegal liquor sales.

Memphis officials thus seem to think Mississippi is a proper dumping ground and refuge for Memphis ex-convicts, ex-Memphis politicians, and alleged liquor law violators. They seem to think that Mississippi welcomes such and that, under the benevolent protection of the notorious "Black Market" tax, such "banished" criminals from other states will be welcomed as additional partners of the State in the illicit liquor business.

This, of course, is an affront, an insult, to the great majority of Mississippians who are law-abiding and law-respecting citizens. But is a natural fruit of the national notoriety enactment of the hypocritical "Black Market" tax on illegal liquor sales, and its retention for three years, has heaped upon the state.

Mississippians may resent this affront, but they won't be in any position to protest it logically as long as they tolerate retention of this monstrous law on the statute books.

Retention of the law which literally places the State into partnership with the bootleggers and other criminals for ten percent of what they collect through their criminal traffic, encourages and will continue to encourage this attitude by officials of other cities and states toward Mississippi, their apparent belief that Mississippi is a suitable place to which to "banish criminals," that Mississippi will welcome them.

Laughter is this ex-convict's name, but the shame and notoriety imposed upon Mississippi is no laughing matter.

As long as the "Black Market" tax law remains in effect in Mississippi, it will continue to be a standing invitation to law violators in other states to come into Mississippi to engage in criminal business, without other states "banishing" them to Mississippi.—CLARION LEDGER.

GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH



REV. C. C. RINEHART

PINE GROVE, PRENTISS COUNTY, IS IN

County missionary John B. Laney and pastor C. C. Rinehart of Pine Grove church believe in promoting all phases of the work. Recently they led Pine Grove church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record along with several other progressive steps.

Missionary Laney in writing about the action of Pine Grove wrote: "They will be adding names from time to time and I hope that they will never drop the EVERY FAMILY plan. (Editor's note: We share that hope).

Pastor Rinehart is an old friend of the Baptist Record. His Alcorn county church has the EF plan and he is leading Pleasant Grove church in Prentiss county to adopt the EF plan. In fact, pastor Rinehart promotes all causes of the Baptist work.

Prentiss county is growing in Baptist Record interest and now has readers listed as follows: BOONEVILLE 161, MT. OLIVE 26, OSBURN CREEK 40, PINE GROVE 19, THRASHER 37, WHEELER 46, Gaston 30, Ingram 1, BALDWIN 79, Candler's Chapel 17, EAST PRENTISS 6.

PIAVE CHURCH IS NUMBER 857

A recent addition to the growing list of EVERY FAMILY Churches is Pieve Church, Green county, Rev. W. A. Grissom pastor, Petal, Mississippi. Mrs. L. L. Smith, secretary and treasurer, recently sent the EVERY FAMILY list, stating that the church took pleasure in adopting the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Green County now has Record readers listed as follows: AVERY 19, Cedar Grove 6, COUNTY LINE 12, EAST SALEM 25, FELLOWSHIP 12, JOHNSON CREEK 12, LEAKSVILLE 73, McLAIN 32, PINE LEVEL 18, PLEASANT HILL 14, UNITY 12, WEST SALEM 18, Leaf 1, SAND HILL 43, Progress 1, STATE LINE 21, PIAVE 19, WASHINGTON 11.

IMMANUEL IS NUMBER 858

"A trial is all we ask" worked at Immanuel Church, Warren County. Association Missionary, Rev. James Fairchild, not only led in organizing Immanuel Church, but arranged for the Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY

B. S. U. Council Elected At Mississippi College

The following officers have recently been elected to the Baptist Student Union Council and will be responsible for the promotion of Baptist work and the spiritual growth on the campus during the 1947-48 school term: President, Charles Talbert, Philadelphia; First vice-president, Henry Carter, Pineville, Kentucky; Second vice-president, Jimmy McCaleb, Columbus; Third vice-president, Mary Warren, Mt. Olive; Secretary, Bill Mendum, Forest; Treasurer, Jim Coney, Jackson; Editor B.S.U. paper, Billie Ekes, Ellisville; Sunday School representative, Harold Kitchings, Clinton; Training Union representative, Merle Ford, Laurel; Poster chairman, Barbara Ann Given, Ripley, Tennessee; Librarian and External Relations officer, Peggy Berry, Prentiss; Talent Chairman, Glenn Merrill, Meridian; Non-Baptist representative, DeWitt Majure, Philadelphia; Ministerial Association President, Charles Ray, Fort Worth, Texas; Volunteer Mission Band President, Joe Cooper, Oakland; and Y.W.A. President, Betty Renshaw, Memphis.

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Mississippi Calendar Of Prayer

May 5—Pray for Southern Baptist Convention and Annual W.M.U. Meeting in St. Louis this week; J. O. Dean, Trustee Baptist Foundation.

May 6—Dr. Grady Cox, music faculty, Mississippi College; Dr. W. E. Greene, member committee on social service.

May 7—H. C. Locke, Tippah County Convention Board Member; Rev. Chester A. Molpus, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; Mrs. J. M. Deaton, Matron of Jennings Hall.

May 8—Rev. J. N. Brister, Music Director Yazoo Association; Dr. George Townsend, Trustee Baptist Hospital.

May 9—Pray for Hospital Day on Mother's Day; Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Trustee, Woman's College.

May 10—Mrs. James B. Leavell, Dean of Students, Blue Mountain College; Dr. W. A. Hogan, member Board of Ministerial Education.

May 11—Pray for Sunbeam Focus Week; H. B. Boutwell, Convention Board member, Adams-Franklin Association.

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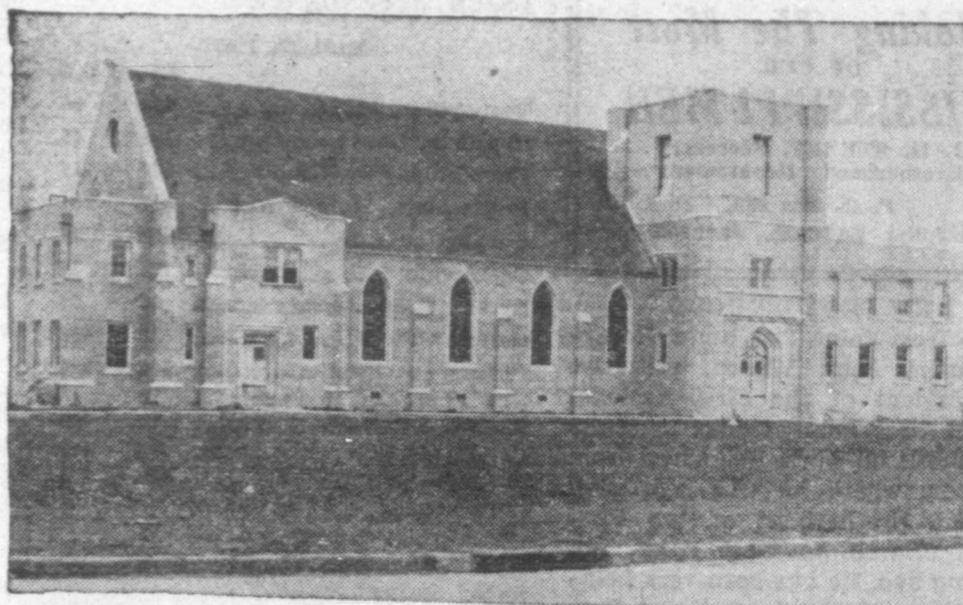
First Baptist Church, Meadville, is on the march and the past 13 months have indicated that fact. The pastor reports that "souls are being saved at almost every service; the Sunday school is strictly evangelistic and therefore we reap the harvest in the worship services." Rev. B. T. Bishop is the under-shepherd. A cooling system has been installed and a new church bus has been purchased and put in use. Pastor Bishop praises the usefulness of the new bus by saying, "it rolls up each Sunday morning with people that could not come to church otherwise. We like to think of this bus as our rolling church". A new sound motion picture machine was given the church by E. B. Seale as a memorial to his father, John P. Seale, not to mention the memorial organ presented in honor of Elton Saxon, World War II casualty, by his parents, Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. G. Saxon.

Plan for three months.

At the end of the trial period the church adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record thus becoming number 858 on the growing list of Baptist Record churches.

Record readers in Warren County are now listed as follows: BOWMAR AVENUE 225, CALVARY 21, Vicksburg First 13, ANTIOCH 34, GRACE 15, WOODLAWN 33, IMMANUEL 22.

EAST BAPTIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE



GREENVILLE CHURCH GROWS--MEMBERSHIP NOW 176 Treadway and Renfro Lead Evangelistic Services---11 Added

Greenville is one of the fastest growing cities in the State. In keeping with this progress a group of twenty-six men, women and children met on January 9, 1945, and after discussing the needs for additional church facilities, organized the East Baptist Church and purchased a beautiful corner lot 400 by 185 feet. This site is right in the midst of a vast number of comparatively new homes and directly in the main path of future residential developments.

All along, it has been stressed that the object of the church is to enlist those in or near the community who are not already active in a church. The fine acceptance on the part of Baptists and others in the section in which the church is located, affords encouragement to those who assumed responsibility for its organization.

From the beginning the growth has been good and especially since the coming of Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Holland as pastor and wife. They have been here about four months during which time there have been fifty-nine additions. Thirty-eight of these came by letter and twenty-one for baptism. The membership is now one-hundred and seventy-six. The Sunday School attendance is averaging one-hundred and twenty and the Baptist Training Union is also growing.

Dr. Holland is a native of Colorado. After finishing high school he attended Baylor University in Waco, Texas. After finishing there he entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky, from which he received his Master's Degree and later his Doctor's Degree in Theology. Thus he comes to East Baptist Church well equipped.

One of the highlights of the two year history of the East Baptist Church was a recent eight-day revival meeting, the first sponsored by the church since its organization. Dr. Charles Treadway, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cleveland, Mississippi, was the evangelist for the meeting, and Rev. J. T. Renfro, pastor of the Shaw Baptist Church of Shaw, Mississippi, led the singing. As a result of the meeting, eleven new members were added to the Church, five coming for baptism.



REV. W. C. HOLLAND, Pastor, East Baptist Church

W. C. BENNETT

Wednesday, March 26, 1947, W. C. Bennett, for several years a member of the Poplar Springs Drive Baptist Church, Meridian, passed away. He had been a member of the Board of Deacons since his coming, and had served as Chairman since Jan. 1. He was for years teacher of the Men's Bible Class. He was a great teacher of the Word, a progressive, far-sighted leader in all church activity.

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Deacons of Poplar Springs Drive Baptist Church express their appreciation of him and his work in and for our church.

BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the Board of Deacons promise to apply ourselves and ours to the realizations of the aims and ideals which were so dear to him and to us.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we express our sympathy to his sorrowing family, and assure them of our interest and prayers in these bitter hours of life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy preserved in records of the church and a copy sent to the Baptist Record.

MR. G. W. BEEMAN

MR. J. C. MORRIS

DR. WILBERN LAWRENCE

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Most significant event of the week was the 350 to 149 vote by the Italian Constituent Assembly to include the 1929 Lateran Agreement with the Vatican in the new Italian Constitution. The treaty recognizes catholicism as the only state religion and declares the person of the Pontiff to be sacred and inviolable. The action was protested by protestant groups in Italy and abroad.

Making The Most OF OUR MISSISSIPPI MEN

J. H. STREET, Secretary
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P. O. Box 530,
Baptist Building, Jackson

NEW BROTHERHOOD

First, West Point, Dr. James C. Taylor, pastor. John Wilson, executive vice-president of the First National Bank of West Point, thinks in terms of Brotherhood work. He moved from Columbus, where he was connected with the Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church, to West Point, not very long ago. He has been very helpful to Pastor Taylor in getting a Brotherhood started.

Officers are: Forrest Carpenter, president; Hugh Harris, John Wilson, Newton Schofield and Andy Green. Sixty-two men were enrolled. This Brotherhood is off to a great start. Pastor Taylor has a fine group of men; and he is giving them excellent leadership.

NEW PAMPHLETS

We have just received a copy of a most helpful leaflet from the Southwide office in Memphis. Entitled "The Brotherhood at a Glance", this new item will be a great help. We are going to send all Brotherhood presidents and pastors of churches having Brotherhoods copies of this new tract and a few others in a very short time. "Brotherhood Officers and Their Duties", "Suggested Brotherhood Committees and Activities" and "Some Essentials of a Successful Brotherhood" are titles of other new tracts from the Brotherhood of the South. All of these are for free distribution by our state department. Write Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 530, Baptist Building, Jackson.

THE BROTHERHOOD'S RELATION TO THE CHURCH

The Brotherhood exists for the church. All activities and efforts should place the church in the foreground. A Brotherhood should not place too much emphasis on what "The Brotherhood" has done. Let a fine Brotherhood consciousness and morale exist; but let the men speak of "Our Church Men" or "The Men, Acting for the Church". Let the church get the credit. Do not set up the Brotherhood as something distinct from the church or something which is to receive special credit or distinction as apart from or compared to other organizations in the church.

Do Not Raise Much Money

It is well for the Brotherhood to emphasize giving through the church treasury. If the Brotherhood begins to raise too much money, there is a danger that the Brotherhood will loom too large and the church will lose emphasis. If a sound system is purchased by the men, it should be distinctly understood that it belongs to the church, and that while the men purchased it, they did so on behalf of the church and that it is no longer in any sense their own property. If church property is to be improved, it is much better to let the funds be raised by the church, with the men helping than for money to be given by the Brotherhood as such and risking the danger of having the men take too much credit.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

April 27, 1947

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Booneville	295	86
Hepzibah, Lawrence County	108	45
Friendship, Pike County	182	115
Hattiesburg, Main Street	817	261
Darling	62	30
Centreville	120	34
Byram, Hinds County	95	82
Gulfport, First	535	136
Pascagoula, First	692	124
New Zion, Copiah County	72	48
Wellman, Lincoln County	72	80
Crystal Springs	462	100
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	495	143
O'Tucklofa,		
Yalobusha County	74	
West Point	459	129
Rocky Springs,		
Yazoo County	33	
Chester	63	
Brookhaven	678	127
Batesville	261	60
Laurel, First	602	118
Wiggins	139	43
New Albany	589	208
New Albany including North		
Side mission	616	
Tupelo, Calvary	465	143
East McComb	320	229
Houlka	97	29
Tupelo, Harrisburg	324	121
Providence, Forrest County	125	104
Woodville	131	42
Brooklyn	87	37
Hebron, Yazoo County	75	108
Pascagoula, Unity	80	76
Soso	72	58
Durant	229	95
Jackson, Parkway	620	206
Jackson, Northside	277	87
Jackson, Daniel	260	59
Jackson, Southside	170	102
Jackson, Calvary	1,423	315
Jackson, Calvary including		
Stone St. Mission	1,459	351
Jackson, Van Winkle	226	124
Jackson, First	1,218	386
Paul Truitt Memorial, Rankin		
County	48	48
Antioch, Lawrence County	35	30
Center Ridge,		
Yazoo County	69	
West Laurel	491	71
April 20, 1947		
Picayune, First	204	145
Picayune, Goodyear	49	49
Providence, Tippah County	32	
Byram, Hinds County	54	58
Centreville	90	36

SYLVARENA GOES FORWARD Pastorium Completed

Three months ago Rev. M. P. Jones became full-time pastor of Sylvarena Church in Copiah County. He was greeted with a "big" pounding. The pastorium has been completed with lights, water and gas. The interior of the church has been painted and the church yard landscaped.

Recently Brother Secretary Street spoke to the church and assisted in organizing a brotherhood. The W.M.U. has also been reorganized.

Since January first there have been nine additions and 32 have signed tithing cards and offerings have doubled.

Dr. J. M. Nabrit, former president of the American Baptist Theological Seminary and secretary-treasurer of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., U.S.A. died in Memphis last week.

Miss Thelma Brown, book consultant for the Baptist Sunday School Board has been elected associate secretary of promotion and sales of the Missionary Education Movement, effective July 1.

BIBLE NOW IN 1080 LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS

NEW YORK, —(RNS)— Translation of the Gospel of St. John into Maguin-danao brings to a total of 1,080 the number of languages and dialects into which the Bible, in whole or part, has been translated.

According to the American Bible Society, which will distribute 5,000 copies of the Gospel in Cotobato Province, Mindanao, Philippine Islands, where Maguin-danao is spoken, the entire Bible has been transcribed into 185 languages. The New Testament has been translated into 239 additional tongues, at least one Gospel into 565 others, and Bible selections into 91 more.

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Dr. P. I. Lipsey, beloved Mississippi Baptist leader, has returned to his home from the Baptist Hospital. Dr. Lipsey was a patient at the hospital for several weeks, but his condition has shown heartening improvement in recent days.

The Sunday School Board has performed a great service in addition to its many other great services in publishing a pamphlet dealing with the New Jersey parochial school case and giving the majority opinion and the dissenting opinion of the Supreme Court of the United States respecting the matter. Our people ought to be informed on this great and grave issue and this pamphlet, which is supplied free, will help them to be informed. The majority decision of the Supreme Court ought to be reversed.

MUSIC SCHOOL PLANNED AT MOUNTAIN CREEK

Beginning Monday night, May 5, and continuing for two weeks Austin Williams will conduct a series of choir and general singing lessons at Mountain Creek Church, Rankin County. The church song books will be used.

The pastor, Rev. R. T. Liles, states that all neighboring churches are invited and especially Steen's Creek, Star and Clear Branch.

Mr. Williams has no more time open this year and such an opportunity will not be available soon.

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Northern Baptists Set Date For Annual Meeting

NEW YORK, —(RNS)— The Northern Baptist Convention will hold its annual meeting in Atlantic City, N. J., from May 19 to 23, it was announced here by Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, director of public relations for the Convention.

Speakers at the meeting, which will be based on the theme, "Christ for the World," include Dr. Louie D. Newton, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, who will discuss Russia, and Charles P. Taft, president of the Federal Council of Churches.

A feature of the meeting will be a pageant marking the 40th anniversary of the Northern Baptist Convention.

Help Please---Report Results

It will greatly help if our pastors and other church leaders will report as of May 1, 1947, the results of the Evangelistic Visitation Campaign and the Tithing Campaign as follows:

Name of Church _____ Association _____

Name of Pastor _____ Address _____

Name of S. S. Superintendent _____ Address _____

Name of W. M. U. President _____ Address _____

Name of B. T. U. Director _____ Address _____

Name of Brotherhood Director _____ Address _____

Name of Church Treasurer _____ Address _____

Name of Church Clerk _____ Address _____

1. Did your church participate in the Evangelistic Visitation Campaign? ---

Baptisms _____ Other Additions _____ Reconsecrations _____

Remarks: _____

Total Number of Tithers Your Church has of May 1 _____

Name of person making this report _____

Title of position held in church _____

Address _____

Please fill in this blank, clip from Baptist Record, and mail to the Convention Board, D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary, Box 30 Jackson, Mississippi.

First, we want to see where we are in these two campaigns. Second, we want to give you the results of our findings. Third, we desire to report to southwide leaders.

PLEASE DO THIS AT ONCE. This will save much time and expense in sending out letters and cards if Mississippi Baptist church leaders will give cooperation in this report.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

W. R. ROBERTS, Associate

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES READY

In a recent letter from Nashville we were informed that all Vacation Bible school books and supplies for this year are in the Book Stores, except the Principal's Package, and it will be soon.

Therefore, we urge all Vacation Bible school leaders to order their books and materials early. These may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss.

If you want a package of the free promotional literature, write us at Box 530, Jackson.

Prepare Early For Your School

There will be several hundred churches in the state this year that will have a Vacation Bible school. This is certainly one of the finest opportunities we have of giving additional Bible study and helpful worship programs to our boys and girls. It is also a splendid evangelistic opportunity.

These schools should be as fine as we can make them. One of the best ways to do this is to start preparing early for the school. Order the books, enlist the faculty, and train the faculty members. It will be very helpful to have all the workers in a class to study the book, THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL GUIDE.

SEVEN CAMPAIGNS COMPLETED

A few days ago we completed the seventh associational Sunday school enlargement campaign this year. These were great weeks in many respects and the results have been encouraging.

These seven associations are: Jones, Deer Creek, Itawamba, Calhoun, Union County, Pearl River and Pontotoc.

THE MISSIONARIES

It was a great joy to work with the Missionaries of these associations, as follows: Rev. John W. Cook, Rev. Harold Douglas, Rev. Clarence Palmer, Rev. R. B. Patterson, Rev. H. H. Ward and Rev. S. J. Rhodes. Brother Patterson is the Missionary for both Calhoun and Pontotoc associations.

These fine leaders had made excellent preparation for our coming. They had things in good shape as each week's work began. They are doing a noble work in leading their respective associations in a great program for all our Baptist work.

MANY HELPED US

It was necessary to secure a great number of additional workers for such campaigns. For the most part these were pastors. Some few were Missionaries, and a few were ladies.

But all in all, they were a great group in each case and rendered most excellent service. Our sincere thanks to them for their loyal cooperation and fine leadership in the places where they served.

They did it largely as a labor of love because the financial remuneration was very small. They understood this at the beginning and were happy to render this service to the cause of Christ. We thank all of them.

The Results Were Good

As a result of these campaigns, a great number of additional departments and classes were added to many

schools. Also, there were many churches where a good record system was installed, visitation programs started, workers' meetings begun, new workers enlisted, standards adopted, and a spirit of willingness and eagerness to go forward in a great program of better Bible teaching for the largest possible number of people.

Already we have had splendid reports of great increases in attendance of a number of schools as a result of these campaigns. We hope that hundreds of new people will be enlisted in definite Bible study each Sunday.

Our most sincere thanks to every one who had any part whatever in helping to make these good weeks possible.

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NEW HOPE CHURCH HOLDS DEDICATION

The New Hope Baptist church near Slate Spring was dedicated on March 23. Granville Knight had charge of the song service, assisted by Miss Geraldine Doss at the piano. Rev. Joel Dorroh, a charter member of the church led the prayer, and Rev. J. B. Middleton preached. Special music by the Bruce Baptist church quartet was enjoyed during the service.

This church was organized in the Burns school building in 1885 and later a church building was erected which served until last October.

Of the 72 charter members of the church the following are living: Rev. Joel Dorroh, W. S. Macon, J. T. Gregg, J. D. Macon, Mrs. Mattie Macon Vance. Eleven pastors have served this church, with Rev. Jas. T. Wilson, the first, Rev. J. P. Thompson, Rev. T. H. Wilson, Rev. W. L. A. Stranberg, Rev. A. B. Hicks, Rev. Joel Dorroh, Rev. W. M. Mason, Rev. J. W. Hicks, Rev. J. M. Spikes, Rev. Leroy Dorroh, and Rev. J. B. Middleton, present pastor.

This church has ordained to the ministry seven preachers: Rev. W. S. Allen, Rev. Joel Dorroh, Rev. Ira Dorroh, Rev. J. M. Spikes, Rev. J. S. Dorroh, Rev. J. B. Dorroh and Rev. J. E. West.

The new building has a large and beautiful auditorium, and has eight Sunday school rooms. It stands as a monument to the high Christian ideal of the good people of New Hope community.

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RESOLUTIONS

The Lauderdale County Baptist Pastor's Conference adopted the following resolutions:

1—In the going of Brother Blanding S. Vaughn, we have lost one of our most loyal and faithful members.

2—We humbly bow to the will of our Father, and pray His blessings upon the companion and other loved ones.

3—That the life and ministry of Brother Vaughn as the pastor of the South Side Church of Meridian for twenty-seven years throughout our association, will continue to be a blessing to many hearts and lives.

4—That he was respected and loved as but few men are, not only by his own flock, but by all who knew him.

5—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his widow and be published in the Baptist Record and the Meridian Star.

Committee

W. A. ROPER

B. F. GRAYSON

Van Winkle Church



VAN WINKLE TO OBSERVE 9TH ANNIVERSARY MAY 4 Dinner To Be Served On Grounds At Noon

Van Winkle Church, Jackson, will observe its ninth anniversary on May 4 according to Pastor Herman A. Milner, who has served the church since October 1945. There will also be a dedication of the building to the service of the Lord.

Dr. D. A. McCall, executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will bring the message. Others taking part on the program will be Dr. W. A. Hewitt, pastor emeritus of First Church, Jackson; Rev. Bob Crawford, a former pastor, who is now a student at New Orleans Seminary; singers Evans Gremillion, the Robertson sisters, Rev. and Mrs. Lee Chambers and a quartette from First Church.

The church has recently started using the new \$45,000 annex. The financial goal for May 4 is \$5,000 to be applied on the cost of the three-story annex. This will leave a balance of approximately \$30,000 to be contributed.

The progress of the church during the past year has been marked. Along with the construction of the much-needed annex, the main auditorium was extended and a baptistry built. Seven from the church have surrendered to the call to the ministry and have been licensed to preach. There have been 151 additions to the church, the Sunday School enrollment has grown to 426, Training Union from 80

DR. GREY IN REVIVAL IN WEST POINT

With Dr. J. D. Grey of First Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, preaching and Rev. Elmore Byler of Okolona leading the singing, the First Church of West Point, Rev. J. C. Taylor, pastor, was blessed with a gracious revival March 23-30.

Great crowds attended the 7:15 a.m. services as well as the night services. Forty-five were added to the church family with most of these coming on profession of faith. The Sunday following the meeting nine more came to unite with us, raising the total to fifty-four.

To have these great servants of God was a blessing indeed. The entire church and community will long remember the great preaching and singing and the blessings God poured out upon us through His servants.



REV. H. A. MILNER

to 179 and the W.M.U. has almost doubled with an enrollment of 54 at present. Mrs. W. E. Guy has recently been employed as full time church secretary.

The addition of a steeple to the church building to house the public address system adds to the spirit of reverence as organ music and chimes are heard for miles around. The music is played prior to every service and the messages of the worship hours are carried to those in the nursery.

The Men's Bible Class presented to the church a 16 mm projector and this is being used advantageously.

Friends are invited to worship with the church on the day of their anniversary and special services morning, afternoon and evening. Dinner will be served at the noon hour.

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Pastor C. M. Day of Durant reports that the attendance at the mid-week prayer service on April 23 was 132.

BETTER HOMES LIBRARY AGAIN AVAILABLE

By C. S. WALES
Blue Mountain, Miss.

Six books (1) How to Make a Happy Home, (2) Making the Home Happy, (3) Pleasure and Profit in Bible Study, (4) The Importance and Value of Bible Study, (5) Prevailing Prayer and (6) How to Pray, are now available.

The above books are paper bound and from Moody Press. All six postpaid for \$1.10. We do not break the set.

We are offering the following cloth bound books at prices named:
Building the Home Christian, by J. D. Hoffman\$1.25
Youth and the Christ Way, by J. D. Hoffman\$1.25
Mother Berry of Blue Mountain, by David E. Guyton\$1.00
Order from C. S. Wales Blue Mountain, Miss.



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SUMMER TIME TO WORK

Have you volunteered, either to your home church or for somewhere else, for definite Christian work this summer? If not, give Christ first place during the summer by signing up for something soon. . . Eva Lois and I greatly enjoyed being with the Mondays and the Delta State old and new Councils at their recent banquet. Then we visited Moorhead, scene of the Retreat, for final talks with Carla Allbritton, Pastor Moore and President Horton. A few days later I tried to bring a helpful devotional to the Central Baptist Pastors Conference, then both of us ate and laughed to our heart's content at the first BSU banquet ever held at Pearl River Junior College. Mrs. Glover and her students did a fine job; Pastor Chastain was excellent as the toastmaster. Our meanderings ended with a morning at Woman's College and a few hours of Methods study at Miss. Southern. Dr. and Mrs. Rouse are certainly doing a fine job at the former. I en-

joyed greatly visiting with Brother Moulder and his group, including Southern's new BSU President, Powell Ogletree. . .

A few days before the Retreat I attended and was blessed by the Miss. State Installation Service at the Starkville church where Pastor and Mrs. Ray, Student Secretary and Mrs. Ben Seitz, BSU President Carl Nowell and many State students were very gracious. Winona pastor C. B. Hamlett III brought a very challenging and helpful message at the close of this extremely impressive service. . . Seven Miss. College students recently participated in a revival at Calvary Baptist Church, Greenwood. . . Are you a non-tither? Are you one of those who love gold more than God? . . The Ministerial League at Miss. Southern is still holding good weekend revivals, Bro. C. S. Moulder reports. . . If you want to go to Ridgecrest, see your Student Secretary right away, or if your college does not have one, write me. . .

LITERARY WINNERS AT B. M. C. ANNOUNCED

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., April 2.—In a recent chapel assembly at Blue Mountain College, Dr. E. H. Cox, dean, announced the winners in the annual literary contest sponsored by the Scribblers Club, writer's group.

The A. T. Robertson Religious Essay Award went to Ruth Swan, Statesville, Dorothy Harris, Memphis, Tenn., won N. C., for her entry "The Unused," second place with her essay "And There Was Light," and Elizabeth Smith, Blue Mountain, placed third with "The Christian and the Church."

Margie Riddle, Brandon, won first place in the Stark Young Secular Essay division with "Eddie." The second place winner, "Freedom for the Weekly Press," and essay placing third, "Fox Hunting in the Modern Style," were submitted by Jean Anderson, Collierville, Tenn.

Dorothy Harris, Memphis, Tenn., was awarded first prize in the Mother Berry Biographical Sketch division with "Behind A Curtain of Green." "Ellen Glasgow, Aristocrat-Realist of Virginia" by Evelyn Hill, Luxora, Ark., placed second, and "Mary Murphree of the Tennessee Mountains" by Christine Lee, Etta, won third place.

In the John Gould Fletcher Poetry Award, Floris Gore, Marks, received first place with "Death in April." Her poem "The Undeclared" ranked second. Ten poems were named as third place winners. These were: "Light Woman," "Rondeau," "Elizabeth" by Floris Gore; "Orientale," "Storm," "Hands," "Holiday Snow" by Dorothy Harris; "In Cotton Rows," "Tippah" by Patsy Clark; and "Slave" by Margie Riddle.

The Edgar Allen Poe Short Story Award for first place went to Patsy Clark, Paden, for "Didn't You Know?" Second place winner was "The Hunchback" by Allene Sugg, Bellefontaine, and in third place was "Nightmare" by Barbara Ely, Itta Bena. "For Bob-

Ruleville Church Utilizes Its Youth

The Ruleville Baptist Church through the leadership of its pastor, Dr. Nat Tracy, is making splendid progress in securing full participation on the part of the youth of his congregation.

Following the sermon by the pastor on Easter Sunday the young people were given an opportunity to dedicate their lives to Christ's will and leadership as first in their lives, and a splendid response was made. Eleven new additions to the church were received at this service.

On Sunday, April 13, in the absence of the pastor, and in keeping with the observance of Youth Week, the morning worship was conducted by several of the young people. The general theme was "Meditation On Christ." After the reading of the responsive reading, led by Clarence Milling, Jr., Opal Cummings discussed "Our Youth Needs Christ"; Roy Kent discussed "Youth Can Follow Christ"; Melvin Booker discussed "Our Church Means Much To Youth"; and Bobby Odenwald discussed "Our Living Lord Is The World's Hope."

Music was furnished by the young people's choir, with a special song by Lora Middleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Roy Cullen of Houston Texas, have established a \$160,000 Foundation for charitable purposes in Houston. Most of the money is expected to go to the Texas Medical Center in Houston. The Baylor Medical School is one of the major units of this medical center.

by" by Allene Sugg won fourth place, and "Regardless—Mistuh Hardin" by Patsy Clark ranked fifth.

Charles A. Eaton, congressman from New Jersey and chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee who recently celebrated his 79th birthday, was or-

Butler Goes To Wiggins Church



Rev. R. P. Butler, Mississippian, and graduate of Mississippi College has recently moved to Wiggins to become pastor of First Church.

The Rev. Butler will receive his Doctor of Theology degree on April 29 from New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Butler is the former Miss Norma Little of Columbia and they have three children.

The people at Wiggins are anticipating a fine ministry with their new pastor. He has had several pastorates in Louisiana.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Mrs. D. S. Homan, Kosciusko; Rev. Homer W. Roberson, Vicksburg; Rev. O. L. Chambers, Vicksburg; Mrs. E. L. Stanton, Cleveland; Mrs. F. G. Wilborn, Sumrall; Mrs. Vester Lott, Sumrall; Rev. Joe Abrams, Columbus; Rev. J. C. Allen, Carthage; Dr. William Potter, Carthage; Mrs. C. D. Watts, Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Daniels, Scooba; Mrs. W. D. Gray, Mrs. W. L. Laurence, Laurel; Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Harrington, Tchula; Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Philadelphia; Rev. J. W. Landrum, Canton; Harold Jordan, Jackson; Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Meridian; Mrs. Shelby Taylor, Mrs. T. J. Singletar, Rev. and Mrs. Guy A. Little, Crystal Springs; Rev. and Mrs. G. B. Vaughn, Fulton; Rev. J. L. Morgan and Phillip Morgan, Toombs; Mrs. T. A. Bread, Mrs. H. N. Graham, Mrs. Varda Smith, New Albany; Dr. I. E. Rouse, Hattiesburg; Rev. O. B. Beverly, Flora; Rev. C. M. Day, Durant; Jimmie Mack Reagan, Carthage; M. D. Meagan, Carthage; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle; Rev. C. O. Estes, Canton; Mrs. G. W. Harrison, Jackson; Kate D. McRaven, Jackson; Herman Dean, Canton; Rev. J. R. Reedy, Rev. H. W. Freeman, Clarke College, Newton; Rev. Wayne Alliston, Florence; M. F. Rayburn, Meridian; L. C. Eaves, Meridian; Mrs. Joe Abrams, Columbus; Rev. L. G. Sansing, Booneville; Miss Mary Osborne, Jackson; Rev. George H. Gay, Ripley; Louis Denham, Laurel, J. Oscar Hughes and S. D. Hughes, Jr., Laurel; Delma Tucker, Greenville; Rev. J. R. Eubanks, W. T. K. Warren, Greenville; Rev. Joe Odle, Gulfport; Hermon Dean, Canton; James J. Shewmaker, Clinton; Rev. W. S. Landrum, Clinton; Rev. James H. Fairchild, Jr., Vicksburg; Dick Miller, Clinton; Rev. J. D. Wallace, Clinton; Rev. Guy A. Little and Shelton Little, Crystal Springs; Henry Edmonds, Jackson; Rev. J. A. Barnhill.

ained as a Baptist minister in 1893. Since he was first elected 22 years ago, he has been called the "conscience of the House."



Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

THE THREE - FOLD ASPECT OF CHURCH MUSIC IS PORTRAYED

J. D. Riddle

When a man goes to church there are three personalities who go along and these must be taken into consideration by those who lead the congregation in worship. They are the physical man, the mental man, and the spiritual man. Some theologians would say that the mental and spiritual man are the same, but for this discussion, I want to recognize them separately. I'm saying that in public worship all three must be kept in mind as music and all other elements of public worship are planned and directed.

Physical Man Must Be Considered

Music appeals to the physical man. Music is physically stimulating. Our nerves thrill at it. Our muscles become tense and ready for action because of it. Whoever heard of an army or a football team that didn't have a good band to back them up? Why? Because music is physically stimulating. It is conducive to unity in physical action. Let us realize this serious truth when we plan our church music. Swing music, jazz or "heel" music tunes, have a tendency to stimulate some people to cut the back step. Church music tunes should be the sort that will stimulate people to pray, to worship, and to go out and win the lost. God help us to see the value of good worshipful tunes even from the physical standpoint.

Mental Man Must Be Considered

Let us never overlook the fact that it is necessary to challenge people's minds in worship. Music is mentally stimulating. People learn words more readily if set to music. Much theology is shaped by the songs the people are taught. Hymns are definitely religious literature. Let us teach the truth when we teach hymns. I'm as much concerned about who writes the hymns for the youth of our churches as I am about who writes the Sunday School lessons for them. Baptist song leaders and pastors should give serious consideration to this fact.

Spiritual Man Must Be Considered

The soul of man must be fed when he comes to church. Music should contribute to this worthy end also. Through hymns and songs man should be brought closer to God. His faith should be strengthened and his zeal should be increased as he sings. The intangible things of our religion should become real and attractive through songs. Heaven, our reward, the Saviour, all these become real, as we sing about them in our worship services.

So let us plan the music of our worship services and as we do so, keep in mind those who will be in our audiences, remembering that in each personality there is a body, a mind, and a spirit.

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The annual Convention get-together of alumni and friends of Southwestern Seminary will be a breakfast this year in the Gold Room of the New Jefferson Hotel in St. Louis, Thursday, May 7, at 7:30 a.m. Tickets will be on sale at the Book Exhibit, by Mr. Ralph Churchill, the Seminary's publicity director.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Whma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

MESSAGE FROM NEW COMMUNITY MISSIONS CHAIRMAN, MRS. W. A. STOCKTON

Dear Women and Young People of Mississippi W.M.U.:

As your newly elected Community Missions Chairman I would like to say first of all, Thank you for this opportunity to serve for I believe that the field of Community Missions offers us at this particular time one of the greatest challenges that has confronted Christians since the inauguration of the Modern Missionary enterprise; namely, that of proving to ourselves and the Non-Christian World that the principles of Christ can become operative in our every day life even in this complex age. Let's give God a chance to make a local Missionary of us, I'm sure the Home and Foreign Missionaries would agree that they are as greatly needed.

Second, I would like for every local, associational and district Community Missions Chairman in the State to read carefully and evaluate the following article prepared by Miss Mary Christian, W.M.U. Field Representative—So that we may lead our members out into the most fruitful work we have ever attempted, for our Lord and Master.

TEN APPROACHES TO COMMUNITY MISSIONS

1. C - OMMITTEES FUNCTIONING is the first approach to community missions. The committee composed of the chairman with a member from each circle makes a survey for manifesting Christian fellowship, the areas where moral standards need strengthening. The information gained is presented to the society with a definite program for meeting the needs.

2. O - THERS ENLISTED in meeting the needs is a second approach. This work is not the duty, responsibility or privilege of the committee alone. The aim of community missions is to win souls and gain other spiritual results in the community through the enlistment of all women and young people.

3. M - EMBERS INFORMED is essential to earnest effort in community missions. A study of the "Guide for Community Missions" reveals opportunities for service that may be found in each community and suggests methods of procedure in each case.

4. M - ORE MEMBERS PRAYING will make an approach to community missions such as has never been seen before. Faith will be increased, experience deepened. No individual or group should ever go forth on any community mission work without waiting for power, strength and guidance which comes through prayer.

5. U - TILIZING AND COOPERATING WITH OUTSIDE AGENCIES facilitates the work of community missions. Information secured and contacts gained through those agencies directing public health, public playgrounds and parks, adult education, health education in the schools, day nurseries, hospital service, etc., are of inestimable value in planning community missions activities.

6. N - EVER ALLOWING DISAPPOINTMENTS TO DISCOURAGE

might be a precept that the community missions worker would take as her own. One diligent, courageous, consecrated worker could change a community, for love such as Christ's "bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things—and never fails."

7. I - NTEREST IN AND LOVE FOR PEOPLE is placed on the must list for the chairman of community missions. Should it not be on that same list for every W.M.S. member? "This means being socially-minded with Christ," says Mrs. George Davis in the "Guide for Community Missions". "Jesus was moved with compassion for the multitudes. When one has within her that deep love called compassion she will always do something: she will always be moved."

8. T - AKING TIME TO REPORT ACCURATELY AND FULLY provides an excellent check on the thoroughness of the work. Reports are to the organization what grades are to the student. They show progress or they show lack. Through reports as a standard of measurement we keep our work accurately balanced. They furnish additional incentives to work.

9. Y - OUTH INCLUDED IN ALL PLANNING OF COMMUNITY MISSIONS WORK will mean a constructive program of work for them, a feeling of "togetherness" in this big mission task in the community and a cooperative spirit between the missionary society and the young people's missionary organizations. The community missions chairman should always invite the young people's counselors to the monthly meeting of the committee.

10. M - EETING THE NEED OF: I - nterest in alcohol education that leads to study and action

S - eeing the opportunities for work with the sick and aged, poor and needy

S - olving the illiteracy problem through help in adult education

I - nviting men and women in the armed forces to church activities and providing for them wholesome recreation

O - rganizing and helping in mission Sunday schools and services in prisons and other institutions

N - ever losing sight of our obligation in presenting Christ to the unsaved about us.

S - haring Christian ideals and standards with Negroes, Jews and foreigners in our midst.

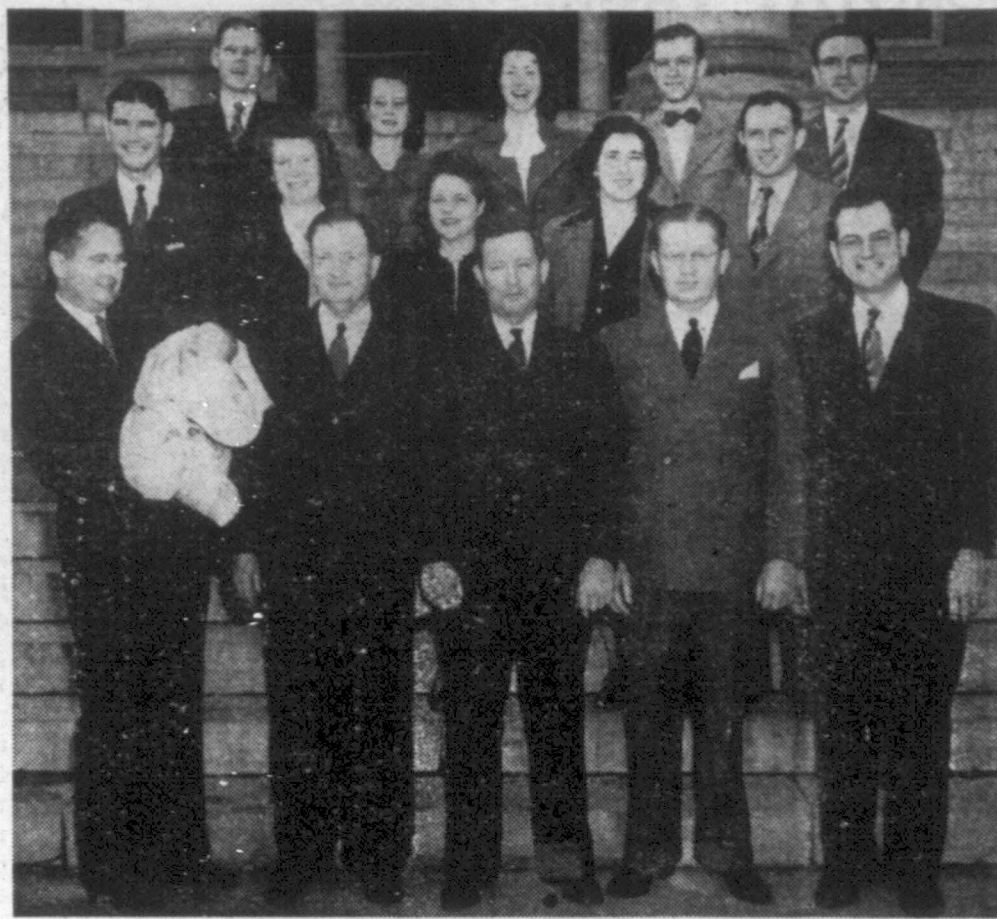
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Attention, Convention Messengers!

By Joe W. Burton, Secretary Southern Baptist Convention
Has your church elected messengers to the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis, May 7-11?

Have these messengers been properly certified for enrollment at St. Louis? Messenger cards are available in the Baptist convention office in your state. Write to the state secretary to request the number of cards needed in your church—one for each messenger.

Registration in St. Louis will be greatly facilitated if each church will certify its messengers in advance by securing these registration cards from the Baptist state office.

Mississippi Group at Southwestern Seminary



First row left to right: Rev. J. L. Morgan and son Harrel; Dr. R. T. Daniel, Club sponsor; Rev. W. F. Garner, president; Rev. C. L. Boland, Vice-president; Rev. Percy Renick, Reporter.

Second row left to right: Rev. Jimmie Haggard, Mrs. J. L. Morgan, Miss Edith Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Gull-edge.

Third row left to right: Rev. and

Mrs. Milton Bryant, Miss Nillie Ruth Myres, Henry Greer, Rev. John A. Parker.

The following belong to the group but do not appear in the picture: Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur Greland, Rev. and Mrs. Tom Parker, Mrs. C. L. Boland, Mrs. W. F. Garner, Jack Perkins, Mrs. Jimmie Haggard, Mrs. Percy Rencik, Upton Reynolds, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Frye.

Large Attendance In Study Course At Hattiesburg

Soul Winning Doctrines was taught to a class of 147 by Pastor W. A. Bell of First Church, Hattiesburg. This is the largest study course in the history of the church according to Mrs. T. T. Brown, church secretary.

The largest group represented were the officers and teachers of the Sunday School. All deacons except one were in attendance, and he was out of the city at the time.

Another study course has been planned for April 21-24 and a goal of 175 has been set.

—BR—
Dr. H. H. Hargrove, Mississippian, pastor of Coggin Avenue Church, Brown-

wood, Texas has recently participated in two revivals. He preached at First Baptist Church, Brownsville. There were 25 additions, 18 by baptism, and 150 rededications. He also preached at Park Memorial Church, Houston with 66 additions, 47 upon professions of faith and 300 rededications.

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DOROTHY PAGE

CHAPTER XIV

Sterling Brings In His Reserves

That evening after dinner Mr. Sterling brought over his distinguished friend. Dorothy had invited Mr. Walton to return and form one of the group.

"Doctor," said Mr. Page, with a smile and a wink at Mr. Sterling, "I guess you will have to set us all straight. Mr. Walton here is about to enlist Dorothy and Mr. Sterling under the Baptist flag."

"Miss Dorothy seems to think the Bible commands her to be put under the water," remarked Sterling, "and she does not believe at all in infant baptism. She insists that these things prevent her joining our church, and she talks as if the Baptist doctrines are nearest to the doctrines which she believes the Bible to teach."

"Am I stating it correctly?" asked Sterling of Dorothy.

"Mr. Sterling is right in saying that I believe in immersion and not in infant baptism, and therefore I do not feel it would be right for me to join his church."

"May I ask why you feel that you cannot join his church?" asked the Doctor in a gracious manner.

"If I think the doctrines of the church are wrong, do you think I ought to select that as the church for me to join?"

"May I ask another question?"

Sterling's hopes rose as he saw the Doctor entering upon the discussion. He felt there could be but one result.

"Mr. Sterling has mentioned that you thought very favorably of the doctrines of the Baptists. One of the cardinal doctrines of the Baptists is religious liberty. That means they believe in the right of every individual to interpret the Scripture for himself. Do you believe in that doctrine?"

"Certainly. Don't you, Doctor?"

"I see you are putting me on the witness stand," he said with a smile. "I answer that I assuredly do believe in such individual liberty; but it seems to me that the Baptists are inconsistent. They demand individual liberty and yet they cry out against us Presbyterians because we interpret the Scriptures in a way different from them. You say, Miss Page, you cannot join the Presbyterians because of their beliefs, but I should not think that that ought to concern you. If you hold that everyone must interpret the Bible for himself, then that is what the Presbyterians are doing. In doing that they carry out the Baptist doctrine of individual accountability to God."

Sterling was delighted. It was just as he had expected. He saw in a flash that if the Baptists were true to their doctrine of religious liberty they could not demand that he change his faith, but must accord him a perfect right to his belief.

"Excuse me, Doctor," said Dorothy, "I do not think you understood me. I do not blame the Presbyterians for drawing their own conclusions about the Bible and believing just what they think the Bible teaches rather than what somebody else thinks it teaches. I grant them this right, but it does not follow that I must therefore join their church. I say let the Presbyterians follow what they consider to be the teachings of the Bible; but let me do the same and let me not feel that I must join their church."

"No, my young friend. I would not

say you must join the Presbyterian church; but may I ask why you should find it impossible to join that splendid body of Christian people? If everybody must follow his own convictions of Bible teaching, would you say you cannot fellowship those who do not interpret the Bible as you do?"

"Doctor, I do not say I could not fellowship the Presbyterians, or anybody that may understand his Bible differently from me. I can respect them and believe them to be better Christians than I am. But I don't think I ought to join their church unless I believe their doctrines."

"Well, my daughter, you will never find a church with every member believing just as you believe."

"What does a denomination mean, anyhow, Doctor? Does it not mean a body of people believing a certain set of doctrines?"

"Yes."

"It seems to me to be somewhat after this fashion. I guess I have no right with my small knowledge about these things to be theorizing, and yet is it not this way? Here in the world we find a multitude of Christians. As they read the Bible some understand it one way and others understand it another way, and still others another way, and those therefore who understand it one way get together in one great company and those understanding it another way get together in another great company and so on, and these large groups are the different denominations, and this simply means that people believing alike naturally come together and fall into line under one name."

"Why, yes; that certainly sounds sensible, daughter," said Mr. Page. "I guess that those people who believe as Mr. Walton believes about baptism and other matters are called by the name Baptists, and that those who believe the doctrines that Dr. Boardman believes call themselves Presbyterians. Now of course you would not respect a person believing as the Baptists do and joining the Presbyterians. He is not a Presbyterian in belief and he ought not to call himself such nor be known as such."

"Doctor," asked Dorothy, "would you want a person to join your church if he would not accept the doctrines of your church?"

"Since I come to think of it, my fair questioner, I don't think we would take in such a person. If you cannot accept the teachings of the Presbyterian church, then probably you ought not to join, though I confess I am not as strict as some of my brethren. If a person is with us in the fundamentals, then we can overlook such minor matters as baptism and the like. I think the trouble with the Christian world today is that we are magnifying the non-essentials and neglecting the weightier truths."

"You say baptism is a minor matter?" asked Dorothy with some surprise.

"Why, certainly, my daughter. Christ himself must be pained when he sees his people so anxious about external forms rather than about matters of heart, of life."

"That greatly bewilders me, Doctor. It has been intimated several times that these matters about immersion and infant baptism and church government are minor matters, that there are other doctrines that are of greater moment; but let me ask, are we to disregard and treat these as we

Lexington Church Observes First Youth Week

Bringing to a climax the first Youth Week in the history of the Lexington Baptist Church the young people presented the Holmes Junior College Glee Club in a Concert of Sacred Music Sunday night.

From April 13 through the 20th the young people took complete charge of all organizational activity and meetings and conducted them in a most commendable manner.

Mrs. E. C. Reese, who directed the young people for this unusually responsive week, reported complete cooperation and enthusiasm on the part of the church as well as the youth.

Over sixty young church leaders of the church were utilized in various places of service including the Sunday School and Training Union of officers, W.M.U. leaders, speakers for the Sunday night and Wednesday night worship hours, ushers, deacons, general officers of the church, and an excellent choir.

The pastor of the Lexington church, L. E. Burnette, was enthusiastic about the results of this fine week and is already making plans for an even greater YOUTH WEEK next year.

please? Must we not try to obey these commands as they were originally commanded and practiced? Besides, Doctor, it seems to me that this beautiful ordinance with its impressive teachings was given great prominence by Christ. His last great command to the apostles had baptism in it, and when people were converted under the preaching of the apostles the first thing they always did was to be baptized, as if baptism was one of the things that had to be done and done at once. Christ was himself baptized and he commands us to be. I don't see how you could wish it to be plain-er than that. I cannot understand how a person can say that one command of Christ is not as important to be obeyed as another. When you talk that way about a command, does it not sound as if it did not make much difference whether we obeyed the command at all?"

"Well, my daughter," said the Doctor, "I glory in your zeal and courage and I bid you follow your convictions; but you must remember one thing, and that is that you will probably never find a church all of whose members believe exactly alike. Suppose you find some in the Baptist church that believe something that you do not believe. How can you conscientiously stay in with them?"

"I do not think it is a question as to what every individual member believes, but what are the doctrines by what the nnsought-ETAOINSHRDLU which that particular denomination is known? There are certain truths which the Baptists believe, and when you say you are a Baptist people know just what you believe. As I understand it, there are certain truths which all Christians believe, and on those points we are all one; and although we may not be in the same organization, yet I think we are like soldiers, all fighting in the army of our King."

(Continued next week)

Herrington Comes As Sumner Pastor



REV. HERBERT R. HERRINGTON

The Baptist church at Sumner has called Rev. Herbert R. Herrington as pastor, and he will assume his work there on May 1. The new Sumner pastor is a graduate of Mississippi College and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Herrington of Clinton. He was president of the Ministerial Association, director of the mission work and a member of the Baptist Student Council when in college. He received his Seminary training at Louisville, at the Southern Seminary. During the time he has been in Louisville he has been pastor of New Providence church in Scottsburg, Indiana. He was pastor of the Oil City church in Yazoo county and of East Side in Rankin when a college student.

Mrs. Herrington is the former Miss Rita Martin of Benton, a graduate of Blue Mountain College. They have two small sons and a baby girl. Mississippi friends will welcome this gifted couple as they return to full time service in the home state.

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Indian Church To Be Started

The State Baptist Board, under the direction of its Mission Secretary, Dr. D. A. McCall, has asked the congregation at Philadelphia to supervise the erection of an Indian mission church building near the Pearl River School on the Jackson highway seven miles west of Philadelphia.

Under the direction of the Pastor, Dr. Walter L. Johnson, the church has placed full authority for this task in a fine group of seven deacons, with F. M. Wiggins as Chairman. Land has been purchased and some of the building material is on the ground. An over-seer for the construction work has been chosen, and the erection is expected to begin within a few days.

It will be remembered that the State Board placed in its budget for this work last year two thousand dollars, while the present budget carries eight thousand dollars for the item of Indian work. It is hoped that all but some six hundred dollars of this latter sum can be applied on the building.

Bro. W. D. Cole, Board member from the Neshoba Association, and Rev. W. W. Simpson, Home Board Missionary to the Indians, are working in an advisory capacity with the committee of deacons from the First Baptist Church.

SIMULTANEOUS REVIVAL SEES 2,984 ADDITIONS BY 104 CHURCHES

By R. E. Dudley

The largest Baptist association in the world had the most churches participating in a simultaneous revival, and had the great visible results, reports Dr. C. E. Matthews, state superintendent of evangelism for Texas Baptists, and newly-elected to head that work in the Southern Baptist Convention.

A total of 2,984 new members were added to 104 churches during the two-weeks' campaign in Union Association, Texas' oldest. During the meetings there were 1,762 baptized, and enough of the 404 others, who made public profession of faith, were baptized the following Sunday to put the total well over the 3,000 mark.

Union Association includes Houston and Galveston and the great industrial and shipping areas between. In 1946 it reported 91,533 members in the co-operating churches.

Park Temple Had One For Three

Fifteen of the churches in the recent campaign baptized more members than they did during the last associational year. Park Temple church had 70 for baptism, or one for every three members. This was exceeded only by Second Church, Houston, which had 94, just 40 below the last year when they led the association.

The simultaneous revival plan is the most effective method to meet modern conditions in cities, declares Pastor Roland P. Hood of First Church, Texas City, and general chairman of the campaign. His statement is echoed by many other leaders, who like the idea of a city-wide meeting which is Christ-centered, and also church-centered.

A feature of the campaign was the daily breakfasts for all evangelists, pastors and song leaders. At these meetings reports were brought up to date and problems discussed and prayed through. These fellowship meetings are a veritable clinic on evangelism, says Secretary J. Howard Williams of Texas.

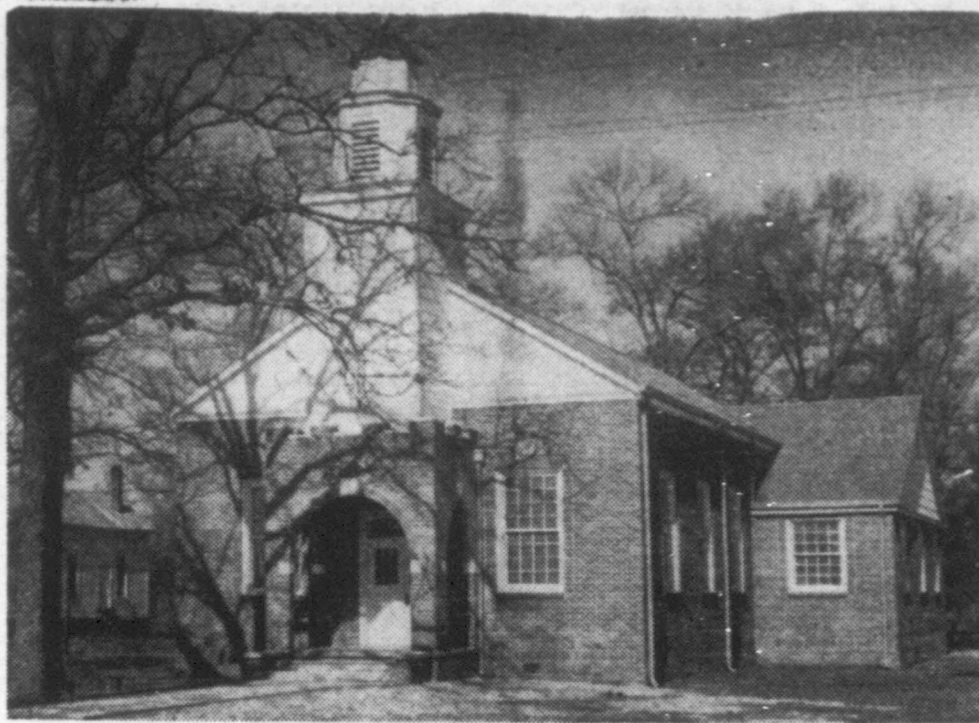
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Pastor F. V. McFatrige, Coldwater, is asking Mississippi pastors to help him write a book. A mimeographed resume of the request came to the editor and we pass on the request. Brother McFatrige purposes to publish a book on the matter of "Ethics of the Christian Ministry" and asks help from the brethren in this matter. Three suggestions are made in which our state pastors, evangelists, Christian workers might help: (1) write, briefly and without prejudice an example of unethical conduct of some pastor, evangelist, singer or denominational worker. DO NOT GIVE NAMES, DATES, CHURCHES OR PLACES. This means only examples of ethics pertaining to the minister's relations with his fellow ministers or churches and NOT MORAL PRACTICES. (2) An account of unethical conduct of deacons, church, or other groups towards a minister, either in securing or changing pastors. (3) A brief article on "What I wish preachers would (or would not) do." Articles written in good faith should be signed but the name of the writer will be held in strict confidence and not published nor revealed by the author.

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Mrs. M. Montgomery, hostess of Chrestman Hall, Mississippi College, spoke at the morning service, April 13, to Eastside Church, Rankin County. Bobbie Smith, reporter, says the church was blessed by her visit.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH



Brooklyn Church Occupies New Edifice

The Brooklyn Church has recently gone into its new building, which was erected at a cost of \$18,000. The church has six Sunday School rooms, a choir loft and baptistry. A gas heating system and adequate lighting were installed during construction.

The building fund was started in 1940 under the pastorate of Rev. Fred B. Moseley. The building itself was started in 1946. Upon the resignation of the Rev. Moseley in June of last year to accept the Lucedale pastorate, Rev. Otis Jones was called to Brooklyn Church.

The church was organized in 1896 with twelve charter members, three of whom are living today. They are: Mrs. Hugh Denham, Walter Anderson and W. E. Simmons.

Services were first held in the Masonic Hall, until the church, which was used almost half a century, was erected.

Here's What They Say About THE EVERY FAMILY PLAN And The Mississippi College ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN

Dr. T. M. Hederman, Editor of the CLARION-LEDGER, Jackson: "A few weeks ago I read in the Baptist Record the suggestion that if the Baptists of this state would adopt the 'Every Family Plan' of each contributing \$10.00 to the Enlargement Program of Mississippi College, that the funds necessary to complete the job would be in hand immediately. It occurred to me that this was a splendid idea but in view of the fact I had already contributed more than once to the program, it did not include me. The next week I read the same statement on more than one page and had an impulse to send in my \$10.00 but did not do it. This past week, I read the statements of Dr. McCall, Auber Wilds, C. B. Young, Dr. Norman Cox, Judge V. D. Rowe, and one from Mrs. J. T. Garland, a Presbyterian, all giving their approval to the plan, stating they had previously given, but enclosing their \$10.00. It has now gotten on my conscience and I will either have to quit reading the Baptist Record or send my check. Enclosed please find check for myself and an additional \$10.00 for someone who would like to give but is not quite able to do so. Tell Editor Goodrich to keep on telling them and he will keep on selling them. You are doing a great work for Mississippi, the Baptist cause and the youth of the state."

Dr. Wyatt R. Hunter, Pastor, First Baptist Church, McComb: "I think

your plan for supporting our college drive is an excellent one. Surely the humblest family can feel that they can share in such a program. We will keep this before our people and expect a good response."

Dr. O. N. Arrington, Brookhaven, Mississippi: "Enclosed find \$100 'me too' on the \$10.00 a member plan. God give you wisdom and us men stewardship to support you in Christian Education."

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EAST McCOMB REPORTS PROGRESS

We have received 33 persons into the church; \$7,397.00 total offerings received; A lovely Pastorium has been completed; a budget of \$25,000.00 was adopted and the church adopted the Unified Budget, the Six-point Record System of grading in the Sunday school has replaced the four-point Record System; complete Visual Education equipment has been installed, to use two sizes of slides, film strips, opaque projection, and 16 bb., films.

We are now working toward standardizing the Sunday school and Training Union. We are all looking forward to beginning our Building Program for more Sunday school rooms.

Our BTU Training Courses were well attended. The enrollment reached 345 and the average attendance for the week was 265. This attendance record BROKE ALL previous records of this church.—E. C. EDWARDS, pastor.

The Army Chapel at Jackson Army Air Base is now available for disposal. Anyone interested might address Mr. Arthur B. LaCour, War Assets Administration, 7020 Franklin venue, New Orleans 17, Louisiana.

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INDIANS AT B. T. U. DISTRICT CONVENTION



The above is a group picture of more than twenty of our Indian friends from three Indian churches, Caanon, Bethany and Hope, who came in a bus to the District Training Union Convention last year at Ackerman. In the picture is deacon Willie Isom top left, of the Bethany church, Dick Tubby, 73 years old and Sunday School Superintendent of the Hope church, and the young man, third from the left in front row is Franklin Bell, Intermediate Associational Sword Drill winner. A group of these girls were on program and sang. Our Indian churches all have some form of Training Union work, and we appreciate their loyal cooperation in our general plans. We are expecting to see this many or more at Noxapater June 4 when the district convention for District 8 holds its meeting.

Thanks, leaders. The requests still come in for the Contest materials. We are glad to send it to all who want it. Indications are that we are going to have every district well represented in each contest. Not too late to start training for some of these contests now, for instance the Children's Story Hour Bible telling, and the Adult Human Interest Stories from the Mission Fields.

Another adult just wrote us that he is to represent his association in the district convention and gave us the story he is to tell. We know it will be good.

After all it is the results of our work and of our gifts that we are interested in. At the District Conventions we will have many stories that will hearten us as they will be results of our efforts.

A man said, by his acts, I am rentings from a man that had millions of dollars and he does not need the amount requested for the use of this house and I AM NOT GOING TO PAY IT! You can guess the outcome. Many by their acts, have said the same thing to God, and because God is good and longsuffering he lets these go on using his good world, but how happier they would be if they brought God his tithes and offerings, and how much more we could do in the matter of "giving the gospel to all the world" if every one was honest with God.

BIBLE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

(1) Juniors (2) All Others
Sun. (1) Matt. 5:1-12; (2) Gen. 2:18-24
Mon. (1) Matt. 11:20-28; (2) Eph. 5:28-31
Tu. (1) 2 Cor. 5:11-21; (2) Gal. 5:13-14
Wed. (1) 1 John 1:1-10; (2) Ex. 2:1-10
Thur. (1) Neh. 9:31-38; (2) 1 Sam. 1:27-28; 2:18-19
Fri. (1) Prov. 3:1-10; (2) Luke 2:41-52
Sat. S. S. Lessons.

Eight Churches requested free literature in March for 39 new unions that were just being started. With the exception of one each of these churches set up the fully graded union with Story Hour, Junior, Intermediate, Young People's and Adult unions. In the one exception the Story Hour was not organized. Congratulations to all.

Thirty-five individual unions qualified for the standard in the fourth quarter of 1946 and from the looks of the reports we are receiving for the first quarter of this year we will have a good lead over that. We also have several Training Unions who have reached the standard. Report next week.

Foxworth Coronation Held

On Monday night March 31, Foxworth Baptist Church was the scene of a beautiful Coronation service for the Junior and Intermediate G. A.'s.

Mrs. E. L. Howell presented the following girls for promotion: Maidens, Neita Rhea Ford, Melba Jean Hickman, Clara Boothe, Wanda Thornhill, Bobbie Jean Simmons, Joe Rea Lambert, Eloise Barber, Betty Jean Johnson, Julia Mae Strickland, Myrtle Beard, Marjorie Beard, Billie Jean Sauls, Myrna Helen Graves, Erma Nell Fuller, Mary Nell Barber, Kay Barnes, Hazel Ione Staples, Mary Beard, and Edith Mae Beard. Ladies-in-Waiting, Cecil Russell, Jimmie Ray Saxon, Betty Jean May, and Donnice Mullins. John Howell was crowned Queen. She had as her attendant Sunbeam Mary Page.

All Young people, with their leaders, were seated in groups. The Y.W.A. girls were ushers. Virginia Lowe as pianist.

Many visitors were present among them, Mrs. O. C. Chance, Marion County Young People's Director.

An hour of fellowship was enjoyed during which refreshments were served by the W.M.U.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.
CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Darell C. Richardson, Fort Mitchell Church, Covington, Ky., from Associate Pastor, Walnut St., Louisville, Ky.
Elmer Mundy, Providence Church, Callaway County, Mo.

Maurice L. Bates, Lindale Church, Amelia, Ohio.

J. E. Felty, Ashland, Ky.

Harry A. Ross, Island, Ky.

F. B. Taylor, Jonesville, Ky., from Bellevue, Grant, Ky.

O. Ray Weeks, Porter Memorial, Lexington, Ky.

A. D. Calvin, Southside, Covington, Ky.

J. F. Goree, Brusby Creek Church, Butter Assn., Ala., from Sardis, Alabama.

W. Pascall Reeves, (Chap.), First, Union Springs, Ala.

Mack Jones, Chatham, Ala.

Royall Callaway, Heflin, Ala., from Parker, Fla.

Wayman C. Reese, First, Jasper, Ala.

F. M. Simmons, McNeil, Texas, from Florence, Texas.

B. F. Bennett, Immanuel, El Paso, Texas.

P. J. Lee, Summerfield, Texas.

John Lewis, Henrietta, Texas.

Carey Daniel, First, Edgewood, Texas, from Central, El Paso, Texas.

W. T. Goodman, Jarrel, Texas, from Liberty Hill, Texas.

B. C. Brown, Calvary, Denison, Texas, from Freer, Texas.

Paul Vercher, First, Bastrop, Texas.

J. M. Bradford, East Grand, Dallas, Texas, from First, Lufkin, Texas.

James R. Wyatt, Cottonwood, R 2, Lorena, Texas.

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Coast Church Breaks Records Finances Climb-Building Planned

I am writing to tell you about the most unusual Revival I have been in for a long time. Last Sunday evening Calvary Church, Pascagoula, closed a one week's revival led by Rev. L. W. Ferrell of Griffith Memorial church, Jackson. The week prior to the Revival we had more than 800 present in sixty odd Cottage Prayer Meetings. Then during the Revival we used "The Sunday School Meeting Each Night During The Revival", both of which proved to receive the blessings and power of the Lord upon them. Tremendous crowds came to hear Ferrell's challenging and heart-touching messages, many of whom have known and loved him for many years in the various pastorates he has held in Mississippi. Ferrell proved himself, to the throngs who attended, as God's faithful preacher of righteousness with power.

On the closing Sunday, we broke ALL RECORDS: with 674 in S.S., 246 in B.T.U. and standing room only for both services Sunday.

To date, this makes 420 additions to this church since I came here fifteen months ago. And brother, the task isn't half finished.

Finances are simply climbing from week to week, and we hope and pray that we shall be able to start work on our Educational Building in the late summer.

The Baptist Record in Every Home has had no small part in the phenomenal growth of this church, for our people read it eagerly and appreciatively from week to week.—M. S. VARNADO.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

By Rev. R. A. Eddleman

A meeting began at Leland Sunday, Pastor W. H. Morgan being assisted by Rev. Roland Q. Leavell.

One hundred and fifteen tithers are reported in Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain.

Gonenor Neff of Texas said:

"I measure my words and say it deliberately—one dollar spent in Christian education is worth any two dollars spent anywhere and at anytime for secular education".

The church at Forest has called Rev. J. C. Richardson to its pastorate and it is hoped that he will accept. He is a Mississippian who finished at Mississippi College, entered the army in 1917 and became a Chaplain. He finishes his work at the Louisville Seminary next month.

Pastor W. R. Haynie of Glenmore, La., is having a tabernacle built in which he will hold his revival meeting.

Pastor W. H. Morgan of Leland writes: "The whole membership of the church and a large number of the townspeople met at seven o'clock in the morning, recently on the site where their proposed new church is to be erected. A very appropriate service was held, which marked the breaking of ground for the new building. Mrs. J. B. Collier, the oldest member of the church in point of membership and the first person baptized into the membership of the church, turned the first shovel of dirt. B. O. McGee, Chairman of the building committee, turned the next dirt."

GREENE LEADS REVIVAL AT ITTA BENA

Dr. W. E. Greene, president of Clarke Memorial College, was the guest evangelist in a series of meetings at the First Baptist Church of Itta Bena, March 30-April 6.

Twelve members were added to the church during the services, and the faith and spiritual strength of all who attended were refreshed and replenished.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
Lesson for May Fourth

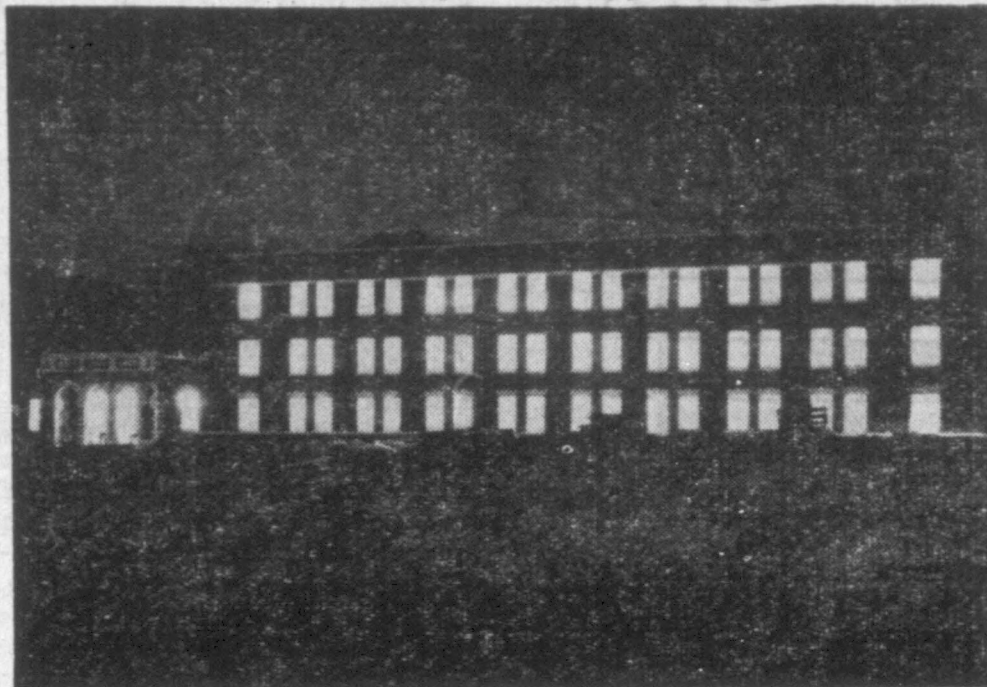
REVOLT OF THE NORTHERN TRIBES. I Kings 11:26-14:31.

I. The Seeds of Disunion. They were planted in the splendid reign of Solomon. He let the bitter weeds of national discontent grow rank that the fading flowers of his personal glory might bloom in forced profusion. He wrecked the national house of solid and contented prosperity that he build of its salvaged timbers the palace of his pride. His whole reign was one of outward glory, but of inward decline. Eager to make himself a world figure and to shine among the tyrannical despots of the East, this son of David, who began his reign with such promise, ended as a miserable failure. He imposed such burdens of taxes and service upon his people that the spirit of rebellion smoldered in every quarter of his kingdom. By howsoever many young men he conscripted into his military establishment, by the same number he reduced the productive man power of his kingdom. By howsoever many young women he took from their homes to adorn his court and to add to the splendor of his harem, he reduced the number of homes wherein lay the strength and true glory of his country. Solomon was a learned man, but he came to employ his learning for the enhancement of his own glory, and thus conditioned his country for catastrophe. Worst of all, he allowed his foreign wives to turn his heart away from God, a course which many of his people followed to their own and their country's ruin.

II. Son of Solomon. He had married an Ammonitish woman and she had borne him a son, named Rehoboam. That name means, "Enlarger of the people"; "Can you imagine that?", as the New Orleans girls say. Poor fool whose ill-considered course blasted his kingdom in two and set the nation at a civil strife which ruined it.

Behold in Solomon an example of how little care some men in reputation for wisdom exercise in the selection of the mothers of their sons. A trim and shapely figure, a certain witchery of the eye, one or another quality of the voice, and a given position in the world—no slightest consideration of moral qualities or religious convictions or attainments which qualify their possessor for the high and holy duties of motherhood. And the resultant fruit of the marriage a fool! Rehoboam made a fool's choice in the advisers he elected to follow as his father had in selecting the mother of a future king. Solomon thought it a little thing, the selection of one of a number of wives, and the brash and bumptious son of that heathen wife thought it a little thing to tell a bunch of malcontents what they might depend upon; but neither knew what eternal and tremendous consequences would follow them upon the doing of these little things, nor that these consequences would cast their blight upon millions of men and millenniums of time beyond the narrow circle and brief day of those set in action the chains of events which

Girls Dormitory, Mississippi College



WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT THE NEW DORMITORY

Miriam Hollis, Chalylbeate, Mississippi: "Some people think that we have adjectives which adequately describe everything except love. I would qualify that by saying that our adjectives are sufficient, perhaps, for everything except love and the Miss-

bore those blighting consequences.

III. Petition of the People. The petition was for relief clearly within reason. The free sons of Israel wanted only redress of real grievances, they being by many centuries the forerunners of the men who have established free government and free enterprise everywhere those now are in the earth. A minimum of interference by the government in the lives of the people. That sums it up. How Americans have suffered within this generation the very wrongs from which these ancient people craved relief! But the autocrat refused and so flung his chance away. IV. Secession and Regression. The tribes of the north, stung to rebellion by the rejection of their cry for justice, renounced their allegiance to the throne of David and formed a new kingdom. In doing this, they made one fatal blunder. It was the ancient blunder of Solomon and the more recent blunder of Rehoboam: They left a due regard for God out of the constitution of their new kingdom. A disregard of the will of God in the tremendous matter of his numerous foreign marriages and in his selfish policies of state had rotted the scepter of Solomon, and a like disregard of the will of God had led young Rehoboam over the brink of personal and national ruin.

Now these hot-headed sons of the north set their feet in the same path. They began by choosing as their king an adventurer and political opportunist, a man skillful in the diplomacy of this world order, leaning unto his own understanding, not committing his ways unto the Lord, but shaping his policies contrary to the counsels of the Almighty. Jeroboam the son of Nebat made Israel to sin by a deliberate and obdurate disobedience to an express command of God, and the nation sin, when it became full-grown, was death.

Again in Jeroboam we are reminded of the tremendous responsibility which rests upon those who, placed in positions of leadership. The masses of people follow their leaders to the good or to the bad.

issippi College New Woman's Residence Hall. It's delightful, its delicious, it's de-lovely, it's delectable—it's de-limit! (I love it!)

Minnie Mae Lennep, Pascagoula, Mississippi: "I think that I have had a very unique privilege in my college life of living in three different buildings in three years of school. In August of 1944 I came to Mississippi College a very green freshman and went to live in Berry Cottage on Hillman Campus. That was the year before the "Great Convention"—before the Baptist people officially recognized the women as a part of Mississippi College. Berry was one of two cottages at Hillman that housed a happy little family of 12 girls. The dormitories, of course, took care of many more. In September of 1945, I came back after the summer vacation to move into a new home—"Jennings Hall—1907". There were six of us in a suit of three rooms. Then came the deluge! More girls came to school than we had room for, but we moved over and they came on. Some suites ended up with ten girls before relief came. But the relief did come, in the form of the New Woman's Residence Hall, which is part of the "Unfinished Task" that is finished—or nearly so. Only one who has lived in a suite which included five freshmen can understand what that relief was. Nothing against the freshmen, for I know that I was a little livelier in my freshman year, too. Personally, it's somewhat hard to get used to the peace and quiet of having only one roommate again. But it's wonderful! The new Woman's Res-

idence Hall is tops as far as dormitories go. I know that another school couldn't have a better one if they tried! We are very proud of it, and our hats are off to those who have made it possible. I am very grateful that I have had the privilege of living in the "House Beautiful" that has been our dream even since those freshman days at Hillman. You see, when I leave Mississippi College in August, I shall be able to look back—with tears in my eyes—at the three homes that have housed so many memories of college life."

Frankie Horton, Brookhaven, Mississippi: "The new dormitory is excellent. Every effort possible has been put forth to add to beauty, convenience and comfort of the building and to promote the general happiness of the girls."

Jean Furr, Tylertown, Mississippi: "The New Residence Hall is just wonderful. I am one of those girls who used to live in Adelia Hall when we lived on the Hillman Campus. There is just no comparison. The pretty, clean and convenient rooms are a delight to any girl. The Hall is arranged so that all the girls have access to a spacious laundry room with plenty of hanging space. After living with nine girls in a suite for eight months, four in a suite seems almost too quiet."

Nell Magee, Tylertown, Mississippi: "The thing I like most about the New Residence Hall is the privacy one may have if she so desires and the fact that it is so much quieter than the other dorm. One has a chance for real study and concentration."

Carroll Overton, Jackson, Mississippi: "Delightful."

Louise Harvey, Prentiss, Mississippi: "Living in the new Women's Residence Hall where conditions are ideally conducive to study, rest and harmonious living makes me intensely thankful that it was made possible."

Mary Elizabeth Gilbert, Meridian, Mississippi: "The Women's Residence Hall is the perfect fulfillment of a beautiful dream that we have had in our minds for months. The peace, quiet and beauty of it is even beyond our wildest expectations."

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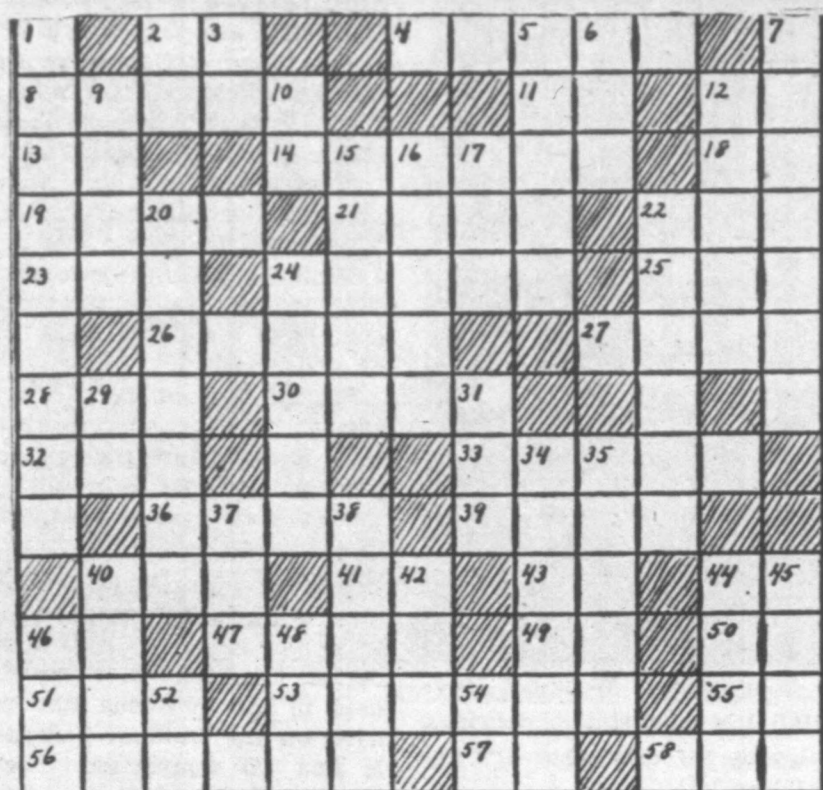
The Tocowa Baptist Church, Panola County, held its Spring Revival March 31-April 4, with the Rev. Loyd T. Shelton of Crowder doing the preaching. The Rev. Shelton is also pastor of the church. The church was revived and there were many evidences of blessings from God throughout the meeting. There were three additions by profession of faith.

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"And there were in the same coun try shepherds abiding in the field."—
Luke 2:8.

HORIZONTAL

- 2 "flowers appear . . . the earth" S.
of S. 2:12
4 "Son of man hath power on . . .
to forgive sins" Matt. 9:6
8 "Lord God of . . . was with him"
2 Sam. 5:10
11 Lava
12 "which shall . . . to all people"
Luke 2:10
13 Hebrew deity
14 "they were sore . . ." Luke 2:9
18 Second note of scale
19 Household animals
21 Plural of suffix denoting person or
agent
22 To tear
23 City of Benjamin Gen. 12:8
24 "am come to send . . . on earth"
Matt. 10:34
25 Tropical American cuckoo
26 "He hath not . . . with us after
our sins" Ps. 103:10
27 "And this shall be a . . . unto you"
Luke 2:12
28 A friend of David I Kings 1:8
30 Heritable land
32 Son of Jacob
33 "suddenly there was with the . . .
a multitude of the heavenly host"
Luke 2:13
36 "know how to give . . . gifts" Matt.
7:11
39 "not my . . . , but thine, be done"
Luke 22:42
40 ". . . , and it shall be given you"
Matt. 7:7
41 Indian plant
43 "Let us now . . . even unto Bethle-
hem" Luke 2:15
44 Fifth month of Hebrew year
46 North Carolina
47 "For the Son of man is come to seek
and to . . . that which is lost" Luke
19:10
49 Part of the day
50 "And, . . . , the angel of the Lord
came upon them" Luke 2:9
51 Gold (Heraldry; pl.)
53 Fourscore
55 ". . . if he ask a fish, will he give
him a serpent" Matt. 7:10
56 "eyes are ever . . . the Lord" Ps.
25:15
57 Plural noun ending
58 "Oh that . . . would praise the Lord"
Ps. 107:8
Saying of the angels is 2, 4, 24, 36, 39,
56, and 58 combined

VERTICAL

- 1 "And the . . . returned, glorifying
and praising God" Luke 2:20

- 2 Bone
3 New Testament
5 "to . . . up children unto Abraham"
Luke 3:8
6 Tot
7 ". . . watch over their flock by night"
Luke 2:8
9 Trees of olive family
10 South America
12 "I . . . you good tidings" Luke 2:10
15 "abiding in the . . ." Luke 2:8
16 Lariat (Sp.)
17 Part of a circle
20 The angel brought good . . .
22 Instrument for evening yarn on
loom (Scot.)
24 Old Italian coin
29 Each
31 "written in the . . . of the Lord"
Luke 2:23
34 "rain was upon the earth forty days
and forty . . ." Gen. 7:12
35 ". . . to God in the highest" Luke
2:14
37 Indorsements
38 King of Judah and Israel
40 Topmost, a combining form
42 "greaves of brass upon his . . . s"
I Sam. 17:6
44 "Brought a mixture of myrrh and
. . . s" John 19:39
45 "unto you is . . . this day in the city
of David, a Saviour" Luke 2:11
46 "the angel said unto them, Fear
. . ." Luke 2:10
48 Relation to air, a combining form
52 Southwest
54 ". . . that is not with me is against
me" Matt. 12:30

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NORTHSIDE CHURCH BUYS
ADDITIONAL PROPERTY

Northside Baptist Church of Jack-
son, Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, pastor,
recently purchased half an acre of ad-
ditional property adjacent to the
church's building lot on Canton Ave-
nue. The acquiring of this property
makes possible a number of advan-
tages in the new Northside church
plant. The new building will now be
so situated as to give wider space be-
tween the building and the street and
the additional property will also pro-
vide adequate off-street parking. The
purchase included a modern three-
bedroom home which will be a dis-
tinct asset in the church's present
and future plans.

Carthage To Have Preaching Week
Building Fund Now Totals \$10,000

Carthage Baptist Church will en-
gage from May 3-11 in a "PREACH-
ING WEEK" as the pastor, Dr. Wil-
liam Potter, closes a ministry of two
years in the Carthage pulpit. Resign-
ing last February, to engage in full
time evangelistic work and to direct
the work of The Pilgrim Foundation
which Dr. and Mrs. Potter established
last year, the Carthage pastor and his
family will move to Siloam Springs,
Arkansas about May 15. In the two
year period the Carthage church has
experienced 51 additions by letter, 40
by baptism, 19 dedications for full
time Christian service and 4 other
professions of faith. In the same peri-
od there were 157 professions of faith,
27 by letter and 30 dedications in evan-
gelistic meetings in which the Carthage
pastor preached. Gifts to all mis-
sion causes were more than tripled
in the same period at Carthage. A
new grand piano was purchased and
dedicated; Training Union has be-
come standard and the W.M.S. be-
came a W.M.U.; four new deacons were
ordained and four evangelistic meet-
ings were conducted in the church
during Dr. Potter's pastorate. Last
Christmas the Carthage W.M.U. gave
more than \$1000 to the Lottie Moon
offering. Carthage is an Every Family
church on The Baptist Record list, as

Calvary Reports Progress,
Pastor Dickson On The Field

Calvary Church near Vicksburg re-
cently completed a study course using
as a textbook the Training Union
Manual. The average attendance was
32.

Plans are being made to purchase
a bus and several donations have al-
ready been received.

Rev. Robert Dickson, the pastor, has
moved on the field. Mrs. Dickson is
president of the W.M.U.

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Youth Team At Boyle

A group of Mississippi College stu-
dents recently conducted a Youth Re-
vival at Boyle. The attendance and
interest was good. There were 21 con-
versions and 34 dedications for full-
time service.

Jean Dossett and her booster band
of 70 children added to the interest of
the meeting. Kenneth Mavity led the
singing. Ernie Myers, Eugene Fleming
and Joe Stovall did the preaching.

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The quartet of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary will sing at the Southern Baptist Convention, May 7-10, and will then go on a concert tour covering 11 states. The Quartet personnel is: (left to right) Roland Boyd, first tenor; C. J. Hoolsema, second tenor; A. O. Parham, baritone; and J. W. Bartlett, bass.

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The following have been recent visitors to the office of the Baptist Record: Rev. W. E. Hardy, Georgetown; Rev. N. G. Hickman, Louisville; Rev. and Mrs. John L. Gilbert, Jackson; Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Webb, Bogalusa, La.; Rev. and Mrs. Arthur H. Leslie, Clinton; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Rector, Clinton; Rev. Riley Munday, Cleveland; Rev. O. L. Chambers, Vicksburg; Dr. Chas. L. McKay, Mobile, Alabama; Dr. B. Frank Smith, Magnolia; Miss Jean Dossett, Clinton; Miss Hattie May Ray, Pontotoc; Hudson Dismukes, Jackson; J. L. Toland, Hattiesburg; Rev. C. E. Smith, Hattiesburg; J. M. Pearson, P. E. Abbott, Macon; Dr. William Potter, Carthage; A. Benj. Kelly, Benton; E. F. Thigpen, Benton; Dr. T. W. Green, Jackson; Miss Helen Eubanks, Kosciusko; Rev. T. W. Wilson, Box 282, Dothan, Alabama; Rev. Harold Jordan, Jackson; W. H. Pruitt, Jackson; Rev. M. P. Jones, Wesson; Mrs. Scott T. Cone and Steve and Jim Cone, Jackson; Rev. H. O. Worthy, Clinton; Rev. Edward C. Farr, Greenville; Rev. C. M. Day, Durant.

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By S. F. Lowe

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Paul B. Cooper writes, "We have just closed an eight day meeting at Handshow having two additions by letter and three on profession of faith. Every one of more than three hundred prospects were visited. Rev. O. B. Anderson, Associational Missionary, did the preaching and Chaplain N. B. Saucier directed the music."

Dr. B. Frank Smith, pastor, reports that First Church, Magnolia, has completed alterations providing 400 square feet of additional floor space in the educational building, and a pastor's study in the main building. The new space includes one Junior Class room, two Nursery rooms and a church office. The Nursery Department now has separate class rooms for three-year old and toddlers, as well as a room for babies. This latter room is equipped with beds, catibents, an ultra-violet bacteria-killing light and a rocker for the attendant.

Miss Margaret Ray, Church Secretary of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, has resigned, effective May 31, in order to accept the position as Secretary to Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president of New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

WHAT OF THE CHRISTIAN CITIZENS LEAGUES?

The purpose of the Christian Citizens Leagues is to mobilize the Christian citizens of the county, irrespective of political or denominational alignment, into one militant county-wide organization dedicated to the task of making the county in every phase of its religious, social, industrial, and civic life, definitely Christian. So they are to promote the whole program of civic righteousness.

One reason for the lack of law enforcement is that entirely too many of our good Christian people do not vote. In one community where a local option election was being held to oust beer, a check revealed that only one-fifth of the members of one of the best congregations in the county were qualified to vote. The ballot is one of our most effective weapons in the fight for civic righteousness. The Christian Citizens League, therefore, endeavors to correct this situation.

Most of the work is done by Christian laymen and where Leagues are organized they enter into them with enthusiasm. The League in Louisville, Kentucky was able to elect eighteen of their twenty-two preferable candidates the very first year. Since these Leagues are organizations of our best Christians outside of the church life, they can be invaluable in the field of law enforcement and law observance. Properly run they can reduce liquor to the very minimum.

—W. L. HOLCOMB

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Northern Baptists Aid Southern Baptist Relief

NEW YORK —(RNS)— The World Relief Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention has allocated \$3,750 to the Foreign Missions Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for purchase of a carload of relief cereal to be sent to Baptists in Romania.

American Baptist work in Romania is largely directed by Southern Baptists.)

The action was taken as a "gesture of friendship and cooperation with Southern Baptists," according to Dr. Stanley I. Stuber, executive secretary of the World Relief Committee.

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Calif. Southern Baptists Plan Hospital, Seminary

FRESNO, Calif. —(RNS)— Plans for the erection of a large hospital in metropolitan Los Angeles were formulated here by the state board of directors of the California Southern Baptist Convention. The hospital will be erected on a 15-acre tract.

The directors also approved purchase of a site in Berkeley for the Golden Gate Southern Baptist Seminary.

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The First Church of Leakesville has recently inaugurated a recreational program that is filling a long felt need for the community. Games to be enjoyed are badminton, shuffleboard, basketball, volley ball, croquet, horse shoe pitching and table tennis and archery. Also an outdoor furnace has just been completed which will see much service during the months ahead. Some lights have been installed and others will be in the near future, making available night games as well as day. From two to three hundred are making use of the equipment each week.

Dr. J. W. (Bill) Marshall will leave the Foreign Mission Board July 15 to become president of Wayland College in Texas.

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Answers To Puzzle On Page 14

The North Central Baptist Pastors' Conference met with Mathiston Church on April 21. There were 19 pastors and four visitors present. The following ministers had parts on the program: L. F. Dorroh, I. F. Metts, G. C. Sansing, Joe Abrams and L. B. Wages. The next meeting will be held on June 2 at Mathiston.

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SPARKS & SPLINTERS

The Delta Pastor's Conference met with the Duncan Church Duncan, Mississippi, Monday, April 14. Rev. J. T. Renfro of Shaw brought a stirring message on "The Millennium Question" and provoked much discussion among the pastors. He distributed printed copies of his address to all present. Rev. Frank Campbell of Webb followed with a very interesting talk on "Prayer". Dr. W. E. Green of Clark College was presented and brought a talk on the progress of the financial program of Clark College. The ladies of the Duncan Church served a delicious dinner. The next conference will be held at Boyle.

(RNS)—Approval of a plan advanced by the Southern Baptist Convention for the establishment in the United States of an interdenominational shortwave radio station to broadcast foreign missionary programs to the world was expressed in New York by a representative of the board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

Graduating exercises of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will be held Friday, May 2, at 10:00 a.m. Dr. A. D. Foreman Jr., Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Amarillo, Texas, will deliver the commencement address. Three Mississippians will graduate. William F. Garner, Th.M.; W. A. Frye, M.R.E.; and Jack Perkins, M.R.E.

"The Baptist Student" for May contains a two page illustrated article by Jane Ray Bean, senior at Blue Mountain College, entitled "Moved—One Mountain."

Dr. Robert G. Lee, Pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, recently concluded an eight-day Revival with the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, with Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor.

Dr. Lee was Pastor of First Church, New Orleans, from 1922 until 1925. During the meeting the church was greatly strengthened and the multitudes who heard Dr. Lee's messages were greatly blessed. A large number of conversions, additions, and rededications were recorded during the meeting.

Rev. Curtis Askew, pastor of Linn Church, and Mrs. Askew have returned from Richmond, Virginia, where they appeared before the Foreign Mission Board. They have been appointed as missionaries to Japan. They expect to leave about September first for the University of California where they will study the Japanese language. Even though the church regrets their going, the church and all its organizations are supporting this fine young couple in their missionary plans.

Mrs. G. W. Edwards, Extension Chairman of the Collins W.M.U. has organized a Business Women's Circle with a membership of twenty business women. At the organization meeting Mrs. J. L. Johnson of Jackson was the guest speaker and gave a most inspiring talk. The circle will meet the first and third Monday evenings of each month. The following were elected to serve as officers of the circle: Counselor, Mrs. Earl B. McRaney; Chairman, Mrs. Myrtle W. Runyan; 1st Co-Chairman, Mrs. James B. Pope; 2nd Co-Chairman, Mrs. Erlene McBryde; 3rd Co-Chairman, Miss Dorris Quick; Sec'y.-Treas., Miss Lucy Yawn.

Of the 3,070 counties in the United States, 978 now bar liquor, 887 wine, and 480 beer, according to the Anti-Saloon League. Of the 20,469 local option elections held since 1933, dry forces have been victorious in 12,519. Of the 2,078 elections held in 1946, drys won 1,276.

Linn Church, Sunflower County: The men's class and the Brotherhood bought paint and refinished the church floors. The W.M.U. sponsored buying new pews for the auditorium.

SOMEONE MAY LIVE
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Honor Mother On Her Day

In the first state-wide collection for our Mother's Day Hospital Fund last year, Mississippi Baptists contributed slightly more than \$45,000 to the Baptist Hospital for carrying on the Christian healing of our less fortunate friends. This was an immeasurable help.

Yet this generous response met only a fraction of the need for the total charity service of this hospital exceeded \$50,000 last year.

This year, let's make it a wholehearted response.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Any pastor or church which would like to have a team of two or more Baptist college students to work in a revival any week or weeks from now on through August is urged to write Chas. W. Horner, State BSU Secretary, Box 530, Jackson, right away. According to Mr. Horner, about twenty well-recommended young people are ready to witness for Christ in any church in Mississippi for their expenses.

Dr. Hyman J. Appleman recently led in a revival campaign at Montgomery, Ala. Records reveal more than 1,400 professions of faith and many additions by letter.

Who Sent It?—The Baptist Record office workers have many good qualities. But mind-reading is not one of them. A card was mailed on the Jackson and Gulfport train No. 104 on April 2. On the card were the following facts: S.S. 45, B.T.U. 47. The writer did not sign his name nor did he give the name of the church.

One of the fast growing departments of the Main Street church in Hattiesburg, is the W.M.U. with an enrollment of almost 250. Mrs. B. E. Hudson and her helpers have been receiving congratulations. New counselors have assumed their duties as follows: Mrs. G. A. Chancellor, Mrs. W. L. Hardee and Mrs. G. F. Doherty. Teachers selected for the week of prayer book were: Mrs. W. Chappell, Mrs. J. B. Draughn, Miss Margaret Ray, Mrs. E. C. Fishel and Pastor John Barnes.

Rev. W. C. Kitchens of Louisville, who is pastor of several country churches in Winston County sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions including the EVERY FAMILY list from Antioch Church.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., April 14—Two Blue Mountain College Alumnae are finishing at the New Orleans Baptist Seminary this year. Miss Mamie Booth, Mathiston, will receive the degree of Master of Religious Education, and Miss LaVerne Viverette, Union, will receive the degree of Bachelor of Religious Education.

The First Baptist Church of Philadelphia has recently purchased in the western part of the city a lot for the Beacon Street Baptist Mission. E. S. Cole is chairman of the committee of deacons which made the purchase. It is hoped that some type of building can soon be erected to take care of the mission Sunday school, which has been organized since January 1, and now has 128 enrolled. This school has been meeting over Yates Brothers' Store. Mrs. E. S. Cole is the Superintendent. Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, the Neshoba Associational Pastor, has been promoting this work, along with Dr. Walter L. Johnson, pastor of the First Church. Prospects are excellent that this mission, soon to be organized into a church, will reach hundreds of people in the fine new location.

Rev. Clark McMurray, formerly pastor of the Linn church in this state, which was among the leaders in the number of baptisms this last year, was selected as one of the preachers in the city-wide youth revival staged in Louisville this spring. He is available for some revival engagements the latter part of May and in June. He is making a good record at the Southern Seminary in Louisville.

Locke Station Church, Panola County, has completed their church except for pews. Any church that has pews or seats for sale will kindly notify J. L. Locke, clerk. His address is Batesville, Mississippi.

Six young ladies have contacted the State BSU Office indicating that each would like to be a church secretary, five have volunteered for educational director work, and quite a large number of both young ladies and young men have signified their desire to be local BSU Secretaries, according to State BSU Secretary Chas. W. Horner who urges pastors or others interested in contacting these young people to write him at P. O. Box 530, Jackson.

Right on the heels of the cloth edition of America Must be Christian by H. C. Goerner there is now a paper edition ready for delivery. The price of the 144-page edition is 75 cents. Those who have read America Must be Christian have made most favorable comments, such as: "The best book ever written on missions"; "a comprehensive statement of the present situation in missions"; "his statement of the task of Southern Baptists is the clearest presentation of our challenge today"; and "a balanced presentation of the whole mission program, foreign, home, state, and local."

Of the three Baptist Churches in Texas City, most serious damage was done to the First Church, R. P. Hood, pastor, and to the Mexican mission. The windows and window frames were blown out, ceiling down, and roof damaged. Damage to Calvary, P. A. Corkern, pastor; and Heights, W. T. Bratton, pastor, was not so severe. Two Mexican Baptist pastors serving missions were injured. One Mexican pastor's home was severely damaged and family in hospital, with one son missing. Many families in all churches had serious losses. Any relief sent to Texas City pastors can be used and will be appreciated.